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BCCI Deal **Opens Doors** For Further **Prosecutions**

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By Alan Friedman

U.S. prosecutors investigating the BCCI affair said Monday that they should be able to bring fresh indictments of both American and foreign figures as a result of a ground-breaking agreement with Abu Dhabi. Under the deal, the Gulf contrate will extradite the former BCCI chief operating officer and make available hundreds of thousands of pages of hitherto secret

The accord was reached Saturday after more than four days of intense negotiations in Geneva. It was personally approved by Sheikh Zayedibn Sultan an Nahayan, the Abu Dhabi ruler, who owned 77 percent of the collapsed Bank of Credit & Commerce International.

U.S. investigators say that the accord came after law enforcement officials made clear that they were contemplating charges against the courate in relation to the bank scandal, which

has been called the world's biggest.

The 23-page agreement between the United-States and Abu Dhabi says that "no representations either orally or in writing" were made "to induce any of the parties" to sign. But a U.S. Senate investigator said in an interview that officials of the emirate "knew they ran significant risks of criminal prosecution of members

of their royal family if they didn't cut a deal."

Abu Dhabi has promised to hand over Swaleh Naqvi, the former BCCI chief operating officer, to the United States within 120 days. He faces multiple fraud and larceny charges. Mr. Naqvi, who was indicted shortly after

international bank regulators shot down BCCI in July 1991, is believed to be the former bank executive best able to help investigators unravel the bank fraud, in which more than \$12.4 billion has vanished. Washington, for its part, has promised as part of the accord not to prosecute myone in Abn Dhabi.

Other main points of the accord include: • U.S. agreement to remove Sheikh Zayed and Abu Dhabi from a \$1.5 billion civil racke-teering lawsuit filed by the trustee of First American Bankshares, a Washington bank that was illegally owned by BCCL

 Abu Dhabi's dropping of claims to \$400 million, consisting of frozen BCCI funds, loans to First American and Abu Dhabi's 28 percent equity stake in the Washington bank.

Robert Morganthau, the New York district

attorney who has spendicaded U.S. investigs, tions of BCCI and whose office indicated Mr. Naqvi in July 1991, on Menday halled the Geneva accord as a "nitive breakthrough." In an interview Mr. Morganhau said he and the Justice Department World gain access to critical files that trainingly experience the London. cal files that originally came from the London and Cayman Islands offices of BCCL

and Cayman islands offices of BCCI.

"This will help our investigation of BCCI's
tes to drug trafficking and should allow us to
pursue new indictments," Mr. Morganian
said. He said that until now his team had been
conducting its BCCI investigation "with one
hand tied behind our back."

Among the items U.S. prosecutors are hoping to pursue based on the BCCI documents are these: details of the alleged bribing of regula-tory officials and central bankers in 10 countries; the laundering of funds for leads of governments such as Manuel Autonio Nonega, the former Panamanian strongman, and rimors of payments to selected American politi-

The Geneva deal could also pave the way for See BCCI, Page 15



A Sigh of Relief From European Leaders American Contribution Continues to Be Vital,' Major Asserts

By Tom Buerkle

nat Heraid Tribine BRUSSELS-It took President Bill Clinton nearly a year come to Europe to reaffirm that the United States would remain engaged in the defense of Europe, but European leaders were not complaining about the wait on Monday. .

At a summit meeting to define a post-Cold War role for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Mr. Clinton won praise from the allies for helping, at heal the rifts caused by trans-Addition disputes over trade and policy toward in a speech here Sunday night and repeated to

Washington was forsaking Europe to build closer ties with Asia.

Although doubts persist about America's long-term staying power here, European lead-ers were reassured by Mr. Clinton, who said he made his first trip to Europe because "the security of the North Atlantic region is vital to the security of the United States."

"I warmly welcome the renewed commitment by the United States," Prime Minister

heads of state Monday, to maintain about 100,000 U.S. troops in Europe.

NATO has been vital to the trans-Atlantic relationship," Mr. Major said, "and the American contribution continues to be vital to

"It was a very clear and unambiguous state-ment," Foreign Minister Niels Helveg Petersen of Denmark said of Mr. Clinton's stance. "The American commitment to Europe is totally un-

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Specter of Bosnia Hangs Over NATO At Summit Meeting

Clinton Unveils Nuclear Accord

By R. W. Apple Jr.

New York Times Service BRUSSELS — President Bill Clinton announced Monday night that the United States, Russia and Ukraine had reached an agreement for the destruction of Ukraine's 175 long-range missiles and more than 1,800 nuclear warheads -a deal he described as "a hopeful and historic breakthrough" that would not only benefit the three signatories but also enhance world securi-

If it takes effect, and questions lingered after the announcement about some details of ratification and timing, the agreement would mean all three of the non-Russian states left with nuclear weapons after the breakup of the Soviet Union would have undertaken to surrender them. Kazakhstan and Belarus, the other two countries, agreed last year to give up their warbeads.

U.S. officials said that over two decades, sales of reprocessed nuclear fuel from former Soviet states would produce about \$12 billion for those states including more than \$1 billion for Ukraine. Only modest American seed mon-ey would be involved in the program, they

Ukraine was the most difficult case, and the negotiations on the deal continued by telephone through Friday morning. Their success, Clinton administration officials hope, will help to reduce tensions between Russia and Ukraine, shore up the tottering Ukrainian economy and help to stabilize a shaky region.

Most important, however, the agreement would get the weapons out of the hands of a country ill-equipped to handle them. The Clinton administration had feared they might be poorly maintained, leading to disastrous accidents, or might be transferred to some other nation or fall into the hands of extremists within Ukraine itself.

Mr. Clinton has added a brief stop in the Ukrainian capital, Kiev, to his European itiner-Even France, for long the wild card in the 16- ary. In a symbolic gesture, he will meet at the See UKRAINE, Page 5

By Douglas Jehl

New York Times Service
BRUSSELS — As leaders of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization opened their summit meeting here, their failure to find common ground about how to stop the fighting in Bos-nia-Herzegovina intruded quickly upon an agenda the United States had hoped would

In what they intended as the centerpiece of their meeting, the NATO leaders on Monday also issued a formal invitation to their onetime Warsaw Pact adversaries to join in a Partnership for Peace, an arrangement intended to forge closer military ties between Western and

Eastern Europe.

But with France and some other allies pressing NATO to assume a more active peacekeeping role, the most forceful words of the gather-

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ng came as President Bill Clinton warned the other leaders that the alliance risks losing its credibility if cannot make good on its threats.

Under that pressure, the 16 leaders reached a tentative agreement Monday to issue a formal communique reiterating their months-old warning to launch air strikes against Serbia if its forces persisted in their siege of the Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital. But Mr. Clinton, who has found roles reversed since Paris helped to block such Western intervention this summer, responded to a French appeal for a new hard line in terms that bordered on pique.

"If we are going to reassert this warning it cannot be seen as mere rhetoric," the president told his colleagues in a closed-door session Monday morning as the summit meeting began. Speaking immediately after President François Mitterrand of France, Mr. Clinton said: "Those who attack Sarajevo must understand that we are serious.

There was no sign of any decision that could lead to immediate military action by NATO against Serbian forces, and British officials said that United Nations ground commanders had not requested such support. But with Sarajevo staggering under heavy Serbian shellings and the allies still divided over a suitable Western response, the NATO leaders were to discuss the issue at length Monday night during a pr dinner at a Belgian government chateau.

At a series of news conferences Monday evening, President Clinton and his advisers tried to shift attention from NATO's disagreements over Bosnia to its formation of the Partnership for Peace - a step that Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said meant that the alliance "almost instantaneously became relevant in the post-Cold War era."

That arrangement falls well short of the full membership and security guarantees that Poland and other East European countries had sought. But Mr. Clinton and the other leaders, who had opposed immediate expansion of the alliance on grounds that it would contribute to uneasiness in Russia, were adamant in defending the initiative. Partnership for Peace offers military cooperation and the ultimate possibility of NATO membership to all of the former Soviet bloc and all four of Europe's neutral countries.

Manfred Wörner, NATO's secretary-general, said Monday morning: "Our message to the new democracies of Central and Eastern Europe has been equally consistent: We shall not leave you alone. We care about your security, which is of direct and material concern to us.

On Bosnia, Western officials said Monday night that the language agreed to by the leaders for a communique to be issued on Tuesday would state: "We reaffirm our readiness to carry out air strikes if necessary to prevent the strangulation of Sarajevo, the safe areas and other threatened areas in Bosnia and Herzego-

That threat is virtually identical to the one issued by the alliance on Aug. 9. But in the months since then, it has led to neither military action by the alliance nor a cessation of Serbian shelling and other attacks against the Bosnian capital and other targets.

Any decision to go ahead with air strikes would require the approval of the North Atlantic Council and then the United Nations Security Council. American officials described mounting sentiment among some of the allies, including France and the Netherlands, in favor of immediate air strikes.

But they noted that others, like Britain, whose troops are among the UN peacekeeping forces on the ground in the Balkaas, continued to hold deep reservations about any action that could put them in danger. At a news conference Monday evening. Mr.

Clinton would not say what position he intended to adopt in the later discussion on Bosnia. But other administration officials have expressed wariness about military action, in part by suggesting that the fact that the Bosnian government had begun a major military operation against Croatia should make the United States more cautious about coming to its aid.

Sarajevo May Soon Get a Taste of Luxury: Tap Water

New York Times Service SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - For more than a year, the simple act of drawing a glassful of precious water here has meant risking life itself

But now, after months of secret design, construction and aspert of boxcar-size parification and pumping systems, a U.S. aid agency is ready to turn on the taps in the homes of thousands who have been parched since the summer of 1992, when Serbs began cutting power to pumps that deliver water from a spring behind the Serbian lines.

"Last winter I came here and saw thousands of people carrying water canisters down to the river through the snow, and I said to myself, "This is stapid," said Fred Cuny, a disaster-refief worker from Texas who heads the water project

directed by the New York-based International Rescue Committee. "Ninety percent of the people killed in Sarajevo get killed in the zone right along the river which is most exposed to shalling and wine a ""." shelling and sniper fire."

Bombardments by Serbian forces entrenched in the mountains are aimed at crowds waiting to fill plastic containers at public water distribution points that are sometimes miles from their homes. Thousands of civilians have been wounded and

Sometimes, trapped by fighting in areas far from distribu-tion points, people have resorted to drawing water directly from the murky Miljacka River, which also serves as a sewer for people upstream. Other people have had to hand-pump water of dubious quality from shallow wells sunk near the river

But the Miljacka will be the source of the new \$2.5 million treatment system. If the water proves to be safe in quality tests, the city water authorities said they would allow the valves to

open, sending water into Sarajevo pipes.

Because of fears of sabotage, the water project has been shrouded in secrecy since the five huge modules containing numps and purification machinery were ready for delivery from Houston over the summer. We've been shelled and fired on at one of the sites." Mr

Curry said, speaking inside a tunnel where three of the modules have been set up. "One policeman was killed nearby."

"The modules had to be specially designed to fit into a C-

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Wading Into Italy's Muddle, Pope Defends Old Order

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service

ROME - At the start of a decisive week, Pope John Paul II lamiched himself combative-ly into Italy's muddied political debate Monday, urging Italians to cleave to Christian val-ues, eschew separatism and see some good in a political elite disgraced by Europe's worst corruption scandal. The papal unterance, in a letter to Italian

hishops, came two days before a parliamentary paign to elections that will force new political incurs on a second state will force new political incurs on a second state of the second state of the second state of the second lineups on a country whose old goard has disintegrated, yet whose newcomers are suit casing about for alites.

In the most recent showing of electoral strength, groupings backed by the former Communist Party, the Democratic Party of the Left. scored heavily in mayoral votes last year

against strong rightist challenges.
The focus of attention now is whether rightists - most notably neofascists, the Northern League and the media magnate Silvio Berius-

comi — can forge some united and credible challenge to the former Communists as they seek to cast themselves as the political main-

In a land that is 97 percent Roman Catholic, the church has long exercised a strong pull on politics, openly counseling its followers for decades to support the onco-dominant Christian Democrats as a bulwark against communism.

The Christian Democrats, along with their Socialist allies, have, however, been at the center of almost two years of kickback investigations that have revealed an institutionalized system of bribes paid to politicisms and their parties in return for contracts and favors. The fall of the Christian Democrats has left

the Varican to ponder how it should advise Catholics to vote in early elections expected in March or April, at which many tainted legislators are expected to be thrown from office. While the Pope retrained from endorsing any

specific party, his letter to Italian bishops in his role of Primate of Italy seemed to tilt directly at the former Communists and the federalist Northern League, while urging Italians to favor those few Christian Democrats who have es-

HONG KONG ARSON — Fire fighters carrying an injured woman from a branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on Monday. Two people died after a man set fire to the bank. The police said the man, 32, apparently had had a dispute with a banker.

Bosnia and Croatia Back New Truce BONN (AFP) — President Franjo Tudj-man of Croatia and President Alija Izetbego-vic of Bosnia agreed here Monday on a cease-fire in central Bosnia-Herzgovina, spokesmen for their delegations said. Under the verbal agreement, their two commanders in the field, General Rasim Delic for the mainly Muslim Bosnian govern-ment forces and General Ante Rosso, a Bosnian Croat, were to meet immediately with the commander of the United Nations forces in Bosnia, Lientenant General Francis Bri-

puted city of Mostar before they end their two days of talks. Earlier article. Page 4

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The two sides also agreed to meet on

Wednesday to discuss the status of the dis-

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By Kathy Sawyer

of NASA's Mars Observer, managers made a change in the flight plan that might have caused the 5500 million space-

craft to vanish Aug. 21 on reaching the red planet, according to sources familiar with the program.

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Instead of pressurizing the craft's propellant tanks five days after the launching, as originally planned, managers at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration decid-

ed to delay the procedure for 11 months - until the

Observer reached Mars. They did so, iromcally, to avert a potentially serious leak, officials said.

Burthe valves had not been designed to operate under the altered conditions, the sources said, and the result was

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WASHINGTON - Seven months before the launching

Why \$500 Million Mars Probe May Have Fizzled at the Finish rupture in a fuel line and soun the craft out of control. The change in plan did not come up during a press briefing last Wednesday at NASA headquarters, where an

independent investigating panel reported its conclusions about what happened to the spacecraft and why. Sources familiar with the program expressed surprise that mention of this management decision was omitted from the briefing and also from the report's executive summary and overview that were released to the press.

The change is described, however, deep inside the report's four-volume documentation, which is eight inches (20 centiineters) thick It was not released to the press but was available for review at NASA headquarters. Timothy Coffey, charman of the investigating board, was traveling and not available for comment, his office said.

probably an even worse leak that caused a catastrophic. Others on the panel said they were not sure why the

management decision to delay pressurizing the tanks was not mentioned.

The disappearance of the Observer is one of several embarrassments for NASA in recent years. In 1989, it launched the Hubble Space Telescope with what was later found to be a faulty mirror; corrective optics were installed in a speciacular spacewalk mission last month. And about the same time that the Observer disappeared, the antenna on the Galileo probe to Jupiter malfunctioned. NASA also has been plagued by cost overruns on its space station project.

The decision to change the pressurization plan for the Mars probe was made in February 1992 because someone reminded the team that a similar propulsion system used on the Viking missions to Mars in the late 1970s had run into leakage problems when the fuel tanks were pressurized early in the flights, Glenn E. Cunningham, Mars Observer project

manager at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

confirmed last week. As to why this concern developed so late in the program

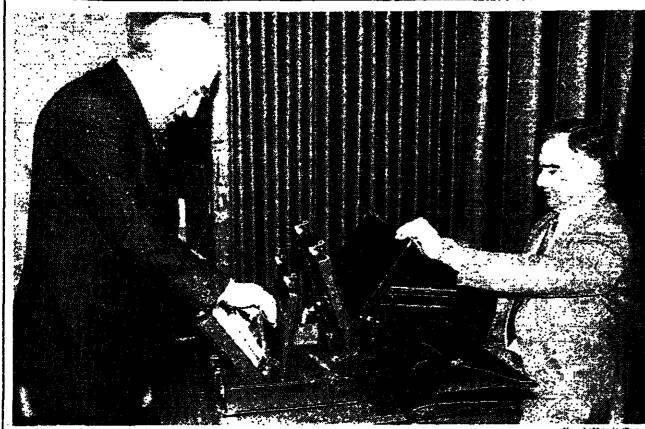
- after it was too late to make what would have been a simple mechanical fix and still meet the launch date - Mr. Cunningham said, "That's the \$64 question." The decision to delay pressurization was not questioned

by anyone at the contractor firm, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory or NASA headquarters. "With benefit of 20-20 hindsight," Mr. Cunningham said, "it appears that probably all of us did not do as much analysis on this new condition as probably should have been done." Controllers lost contact with the Observer late on Aug. 21

while trying to perform the procedure they had decided to delay: pressurizing the propellant tanks. The tanks have to

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Departies of the new Russian parliament, which opens Tuesday, checking attaché cases with which they were presented Monday.

Russia Breaks Off Talks With Latvia on Troops

Agence France-Presse

MOSCOW - Russia broke off negotiations on the withdrawal of its troops from Latvia following the arrest of two Russian generals in the Baltic republic, the Baltic News Service reported.

Generals Nikolai Tailakov and Anatoli Vodopianov were arrested after an argument with the mayor of a town near Riga over the future of a nearby Russian military base. The two officers are expected to be ex-

pelled from Latvia, the agency said, but a

Russian defense ministry spokesman said they were still in Riga.

Russia's Itar-Tass news agency reported earlier Monday that the talks were expected to be given a boost by this week's meeting in Moscow between Presidents Boris N. Yeltsin-

Moscow and Riga have agreed that the 20,000 Russian troops stationed on Larvian soil must pull out by Aug. 31. but discussions have stalled on the fate of the Skrunde radar

Russia wants the facility, a key element in its anti-air defense system, to be retained for six years after the pullout. Latvia originally demanded that it be dismantled at the same time as the troop withdrawal, but Itar-Tass said Riga had drawn up a compromise pro-posal, of which it had released no details. Apart from Latvia, Russia still has 3,750

troops in Estonia. It pulled all its forces out of Lithuania last year following the indepen-dence of the three Baltic states from the former Soviet Union

Weather Shifts, Slowing Australia Fires

SYDNEY - Lower temperatures and lighter winds finally gave 10,000 fire lighters a chance Monday to go on the offensive against 136 forest fires blazing across

The fires had been so fierce for several days that fire fighters had no chance of putting them out and could only try to save lives and property. With better weather conditions on Monday, many of the fires were contained or slowed.

As more than 100 fires continued to burn in the state of New South Wales, fire crews undertook widespread tactical burning operations to deprive the lines of fuel before the weather turned.

"Now we are fighting back," a fire services spokesman said. For the first time since Friday, Sydrey was not blanketed in thick,

of declaring victory. Everything is under control but the fires are not out," said Phil Koperberg, director of the New South Wales Department of Brush-

haze. But authorities stopped short

depend on a quick change of temperature and wind." Four people have died in the firer, about 1.5 million acres (600) 000) bectares) of forest and grassland have been scorched, and at least 185 homes and 30 other

buildings destroyed. Thousands of people have been treated for smoke inhalation and burns, and bundreds have been

Light rain fell on Monday, but it wasn't enough to put out the flames Fire fighters also cut fire-breaks and used helicopters to drop water on the fires.

"We've been waiting for this op-portunity for days," said a spokes-could return by the end of the woman for the Department of Bushfire Services, Laurie Power.

"But it's not over yet."

Meteorologists warned that high structure and forests.

Insurance companies estimated the damage to homes at \$68 million, plus \$34 million lost in infra- be imprisoned for 25 years.

Two people have been charged with arson. If convicted they could

Police suspect more than half the

blazes were set by arsonists.



By Donatella Lorch New York Times Service

NAIROBI - Less than three months before the American troop withdrawal from Somalia is scheduled to be completed, ever-growing banditry, attacks on relief workers and the rearming of clan-based factions are putting into question the future role of the United Nations and relief agencies, American and UN officials say.
A senior UN official said last

week that the organization planned to reduce its troop strength from 28,000 to about 15,000 after the U.S. pullout, which is to be complete by March 31. By that time, all the other Western contingents as well as the large Turkish force will have withdrawn, leaving the Pakistani and Indian contingents as the main guarantors of security for UN and relief-agency operations. UN officials have expressed

hope that a Somali police force, now being trained, will help main-tain order. But senior UN and American officials are concerned that a sharp decrease in UN military power will only open the way to greater violence.

There are distressing signs of a deterioration in security through-out southern Somalia," a senior UN official in Mogadishu warned. "Any indication of an early UN withdrawal will almost certainly trigger a feeding frenzy as looters seek to grab UN and relief agency

resources before they're gone."

Rival Somali factions have been jockeying, both militarily and po-litically, for the upper hand in negotiations intended to produce a transitional national council that could be selected by the end of January, becoming the first Somali government : gan in 1991. ent since the civil war be-

But the Somali factions remain deeply divided. In November, a conference sponsored by the Ethiopian government ended in a stalemate as General Mohammed Farah Aidid's Somali National Al-

Are Called Into Question fiance and a rival group of 12 other factions were unable to agree on an agenda for political reconstruction.

Although the Aidid faction and its opponents are maintaining some form of contact at senior levels, they are rapidly rearming. American officials say. These officials are particularly worried about the repeated visits to Sudan by General Aidid's chief ally, Colonel Omar Jess. The fundamentalist Islamic government in Sudan has been accused by Western diplo-mats of supplying General Aidid

The United Nations announced Thursday that it planned to decen-tralize its Somali operations, bypassing the capital as much as pos-

Since the American-led international intervention began just over a year ago, Mogadishu, with its port and airport, has been the center of the military and relief operation. But the United Nations has been trying to shift its efforts to-ward regions that are relatively se-cure and stable. In Mogadishn, UN and relief vehicles are regularly shot at and hijacked.

In the last month, however, at-tacks against relief agencies and the United Nations have grown, even in the once-stable towns of Baidos and Bardera: It is unclear whether these attacks are random banditry or in some cases clan-based or backed by a growing Islamic fundamentalist movement, American officials in Mogadishu say.

In the southern port city of Kismayu, the clan militias are testing the resolve of the Indian forces by wandering armed around the town at night. There is interclan fighting around the town of Brava, south-

west of the capital. Relief officials say they are increasingly threatened in their work. To dismiss a Somali employee, or even to argue over a rent increase or the price of fuel, is to invite a threat, relief officials say.

Aid Worker Is Seized in Mogadishu

MOGADISHU, Somalia -United Nations troops began a search for a British aid worker kidnapped by gunmen in Mogadishu on Monday, in the latest attack on relief organizations., Calum Gardner, finance officer

for the United Nations World Food Program, was seized in midmorning by three men who stopped him at gunpoint, bundled him into a car and drove him away. Mr. Gardner, who is in his mid-

30s, has been a relief worker in Somalia since October 1992. He joined the UN agency in Novem-

Meanwhile, the Somali National Alliance of General Mohammed Farah Aidid complained Monday that U.S. troops had committed "deliberate killings," and said the alliance was trying to set up a meet-

ing to discuss the incidents.

"All these days they have been killing the Sonalis," said Issa Mohammed Siad, who handles foreign relations for the alliance. "Within four days, they have killed three and injured five. What do they want - to start a new war in Moga-

The latest incident concerned the death Sunday of an eight-month pregnant tea peddler on the Afgoi road, one of the capital's busiest.

The U.S. Army spokesman, Col-onel Steve Rausch, said American troops on the roof of a building held by Pakistani forces of the UN Operation in Somalia fired twice on a Somali manning a machine gm at the back of a pickup truck.
The dead woman supposedly had been an occupant of the truck. Colonel Rausch said the UN rules of engagement in Somalia permitted shooting on sight at "crew-served

The gunner in the pickup truck was hit, and the truck turned back. Then an ambulance arrived at the building with the body of a woman, a 30-year-old mother of six.

The Pakistanis reported that the vehicle contained the body of a woman who had been killed in the exchange," Colonel Ransch said. (Reuters, AFP)

WORLD BRIEFS

Israel Says Gaza and Jericho Pullout Might Not Be Ready by April Target

TABA, Egypt (AP) — Israel and the PLO may not meet an April 13 deadline for the full withdrawal of Israeli troops from the Gaza Stop and the West Bank town of Jericho, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of Israel

Mr. Peres made the observation as Israeli and Palestinian negotiators reconvened in the Egyptian resort of Taba after a three-week break brought on by differences, principally over border security.

The Palestinian chief delegate, Nabil Shaath, however, said that agreement could be reached in three weeks and insisted that the April 15 deadline be met. "If we're going to play havoc with this date we are going to play havoc with the whole agreement," he said before entering talks.

Mr. Peres, in Jerusalem, stressed that the original accord between israel and the PLO did not contain a specific date, but only a four-month period for carrying out a detailed agreement on withdrawal. "So the first target should be the signing of the agreement, and then we shall have four months to implement it." Mr. Peres said. Israel, he added, would try to make the withdrawal before the summer. But he said that would depend on the Pelestinian agreement it." on the Palestinian positions in the negotiations as well.

China Is Accused of Abetting Piracy

LONDON (Reuters) — The International Maritime Bureau said Monday that a spate of Asian piracy involving Chinese naval vessels was "government-inspired" and was linked with the territorial dispute over the Spratty Islands in the South China Sea.

"There is no doubt that these moves against ships operating in international waters were government-inspired." said the bureau's director, Eric Eilen. The Spratlys are claimed by China, along with Brines, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan and Vietnam.

"The Chinese say they are trying to stop smuggling, but they are actually interfering with the legal rights of ships on the high seas," Mr. Ellen said. He said uniformed men identifying themselves as Chinese had seized vessels illegally and confiscated their cargoes. seized vessels illegally and confiscated their cargoes.

Walesa Won't Keep Zhirinovsky Out

WARSAW (AFP) - President Lech Walesa of Poland said Monday that he would not stop the Russian ultranationalist leader, Vladimir V. Zhirnovsky, from visiting Poland, but that neither he nor any of his aides

Polish television reported Sunday that Mr. Zhirinovsky had been invited to visit Jan. 15-20 by a Polish industrialist, Janusz Bryczowski, who is also the founder of the National Self-Defense Front, a small

extremist party.

Mr. Waless said that Poland was a "free country" and that he had no intention of preventing visits of this kind. But he said any costs - for example, extra police to prevent public disturbances - would have to be borne by the person who invited Mr. Zhirinovsky, not by the texpayers:

Vietnam Agrees to U.S. Rights Parley WASHINGTON (Reuters) — Vietnam has agreed to a begin a dialogue with the United States this month over allegations of humanrights abuses in the Communist country, U.S. and Vietnamese officials

In the latest sign of a thaw, the two countries, which do not have plomatic relations, have agreed to meet in New York for the dialogue,

U.S. concerns over human rights in Vietnam have been overshadowed by Washington's push for the fullest possible accounting for the 2,239 U.S. servicemen still listed as missing in Southeast Asia.

South African Police Raid Hostel

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — Police on Monday raided a worker hostel in search of the gommen who killed a journalist covering a high-level ANC tour, but Nelson Mandela demanded broader measures from President F.W. de Klerk to quell township violence. One man was arrested.

Abdul Shariff, 31, a South African free-lance photographer on assignment for The Associated Press, was shot and killed Sunday in Katlehong, one of South Africa's most violent townships. Two other journalists were wounded in a battle that began after shots were fired from a workers' hostel and police shot and killed a township resident.

Secretary-General Cyril Ramaphosa of the African National Congress and Joe Slovo, the Communist Party leader, who had led a peace delegation into Katlehong, were quickly moved to safety after the shooting broke out. They later continued their tour. The hostel was believed to house more than 2,000 people.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Dike Breached in Southern France

MARSEIILE (AFP) — Hundreds of fire fighters and soldiers struggled Monday to plug a breached dike in the Rhone River Delta near here

Meanwhile, the death toll in the floods since December rose on Monday to 9 after the body of a 10-year-old boy was found. He had been swept out of his mother's car on Friday by the waters of the Nesque river near Venasque, in the Vauciuse department. -

In western France, the levels of the Charente and Boutonne rivers dropped slightly, but the town of Samtes remained flooded.

Istanbul authorities imposed anti-smog restrictions on the city after air pollution during the weekend exceeded by nearly seven times the danger levels set by the World Health Organization.

British Airways is to begin daily nonstop service between London's Galwick Airport and Charlotte, North Carolina, on Jan. 20. (Reuters) United Airlines and Laiffinnsa German Airlines announced Monday that beginning this month, members of each airline's mileage programs can accrue credit on any flight operated by the two airlines anywhere in

A new air service between London's City Airport and Dublin was started Monday by the Virgin group and the Irish carrier CityJet in a move to cut travel time between the two cities.

Alitalia Airlines pilots called a one-day strike for Tuesday to protest a pay freeze and cutbacks due to restructuring. The pilots said most flights

Pressing Airport Project, Hong Kong Shaves Cost

HONG KONG — Hong Kong shaved the cost of the colony's luge new airport project on Monday but warned China that the price could climb again unless a kong-running deadlock on funding plans can be broken soon.

The government is expected to seek approval from the Legislative Council to push on with the project despite Beijing's opposition.

A government spokesman said the total cost of the new airport, excluding borrowing costs, had been cut by 5.5 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$712 million) to 158.2 billion dollars. The savings were mainly due to work on bridges, roads and land reclamation conting

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"The bad news is the longer we take to reach agreement, the greater the risk of costs going up," said the spokesman, referring to the dispute with China over the sirport.

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POPE: Wading Into the Muddle, Pontiff Makes a Plea for the Old Order

Continued from Page 1 caped the corruption inquiries.
The presence of lay Christians

in social and political life was important not only to oppose various forms of totalitarianism, beginning with communism. The Pope said in a reference to the Christian Demo-

He also took issue with the way Italy's agenda over the last two years has largely been set by investigating magistrates in Milan who have called the one-time elite to task for what now seems to have been a runaway system of under-hand dealings whose billion-dollar scale has stunned all but the most

"It is clear that the decision affecting the future of a well-ordered society cannot be placed solely in the hands of the judicial authorities," the pontiff said.

sessment" of the postwar era, when Italy propelled itself into ruin-toriches growth, the Pope seemed to be making a passionate appeal for Italians not to be swayed by those

new denouncing the old order. "One cannot forget all those significant achievements that have

A woman conforting her daughter Monday as they viewed the remains of a primary school that burned on the outskirts of Sydney.

made Italy one of the world's seven most developed countries," he said. In essence, the Pope's message seemed to reflect some alarm in the Vatican, and its timing and content

immediately drew criticism that he was meddling - charges the Vatican denied. "The Pope is a citizen of another state and should not concern himself with Italian politics," said a spokesman for the Northern On Wednesday, Parliament is scheduled to debate a vote of no-

confidence in the government of Prime Minister Carlo Azeglio Ciampi. Thereafter, according to Italian political commentators. President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro may dissolve the legislature to make way for new elections in late March or early April.

The prospect has galvanized Italy's ever-fractious politicians. Umberto Bossi, the head of the Northern League, said at the week-end that it might be necessary to groups to oppose the former Com-munists and soften its stand on emment ministers.

federalism to do so. society cannot be placed solely in the hands of the judicial authorities," the pontiff said.

In urging Italians to make what is the catholic Church, calling it in a made him the champion of interpretation of the country and has frequently locked horns in major departure from the line that parties heavily implicated in the bribery scandal.

he called "an honest and true as- the spiritual legitimator of a cor- northerners pressing for greater fiscal autonomy. Mr. Berlusconi, one of the few

known implication in the corruption inquiry, is outting himself for-ward as a standard-bearer of a new right. "Everything is now moving in the direction of a possible alternative" to the former Communists,

Underlying the maneuvering is another investigative time bomb. Former members of Italy's secret services have accused several former interior ministers and politi-cians, including Mr. Scalfaro himself, of either participating in or covering up clandestine payments from intelligence agencies to gov-

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In America's Fling With Casinos, Big Risk Is Gaming's Ultimate Social Cost

By Peter Applebome New York Times Service

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BILOXI, Mississippi — Anyone who doubts the astonishing economic effect of the headlong dash toward legal-towered over the Gulf shore. But with plans to triple the ized gambling in the United States should come to this number of gaming establishments here and to build the need gambling in the United States should come to this number of gaming establishments here and to build the quirky hodgepodge of moss-draped live oaks and white world's biggest casino and nine riverboat casinos 60 miles columned mansions, ragged beach and chean hars that has down the coast in New Orleans, and similar proposals been turned into a boom area by the arrival of eight major casinos over the last two years

But if the Mississippi Gulf Coast from Biloxi to Bay St.

Louis is a revealing window onto the economic power of legalized gambling, which has tripled in a decade to a \$30 operating around the country within two years.

There's probably not a major city in the United States billion business nationwide, its experience is also raising two questions with equally nationwide implications: how that's not considering gambling," said Tim Ryan, dean of many communities can expect to make money on gam-the college of business administration at the University of bling - and at what cost?

To proponents of gambling, the boom along this 35. This market is going to be saturated. It may already be mile (55-kilometer) stretch of Gulf Coast, once defined by modest tourist attractions like pastel-colored sonvenir shops, garish miniature golf courses and mom-and-pop seafood joints, is proof of what a powerful economic

president of People's Bank in Biloxi, "and when was the last time you heard Mississippi being No. 1 in anything?"
At one point recently in Biloxi, 28 construction cranes sprouting from neighboring Mobile, Alabama, all the way north to Chicago, many economists are asking how many

New Orleans. "It's an incredible explosion of gambling.

And if the Gulf Coast shows the economic potential of gambling to produce jobs and tax revenue, it also shows the risks, both in businesses displaced and lives ruined. engine gambling has become.

Already, social service agencies and courts are seeing marriages destroyed or residents sinking into debt because in the United States for growth," said Chevis Swetman,

who said he has already seen at least 20 divorces and numerous failures to pay child support as a result of gambling losses.

When a casino boat called the Europa Star began trips into the Gulf a few years back to offer dockside gambling. it struck more than a few people as a rather forlorn effort to be a poor man's Las Vegas. No one is laughing now. In Harrison County, home of Biloxi and seven of the eight casinos, the value of building permits for the first eight months of 1993 surged by 825 percent over the same period in 1992, growing from \$11 million to \$102 million. Unemployment fell from 7.1 percent in 1992 to 4.2 percent

The gaming establishments in Biloxi, all dockside casinos in elaborate buildings, have already created more than 11,000 jobs. The 13 casinos operating in November in Mississippi produced 580 million in revenues. There are now 17 casinos open, producing a tax bonanza for the of people would like to vote them out." state and local governments.

coming out of this gambling business here," said Judge (215-hectare) project will eventually include a 1,500-room counselors at Recovery Resources, a private center that William L. Stewart of Chancery Court in nearby Gulfport, hotel, 5,000-seat auditorium, convention center, a park for helps compulsive gamblers, say they are seeing an increashouse trailers and a golf course. The casmo itself features 68 gambling tables for games like blackjack, roulette, and poker and more than 1.100 slot machines.

Despite success that has exceeded all expectations here. residents may be more uneasy about gambling now than when it began.

The shrimping business, once the dominant industry on the coast, is being forced out by casinos taking over the docks, leaving no room for shrimp boats and closing shrimp-processing plants and ice plants. And despite the influx of visitors, some other tourism-related businesses say the casinos have siphoned off their business.

Louis Skrmetta's Ship Island Excursions is a 66-year-old family-owned business that hauls tourists to an offshore barrier island. After years of stendy growth, business fell 10 percent last year, Mr. Skimetia said. "Now that the casinos are here," he said, "I think a lot

And, if gambling is an affordable recreation for most In neighboring Hancock County, one project, Casino customers, with slot machines as cheap as 5 cents, gambling problems are soaring here. The number of Gamblers

"It's my observation that there's a lot of wreckage casino development in the world. Owners say the 530-acre Anonymous Chapters has grown from none to five, and ing number of middle-income people who have piled up debts in the \$25,000-to-\$35,000 range, taken second mortgages on homes and emptied savings or retirement ac-

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One 31-year-old waitress and mother of two said she has been a casual bingo player before the gaming halls arrived, but with big-time casinos so convenient had found herself gambling her whole paycheck and savings before she sought help.

"It got to the point I was going almost every day." she said. "It's like those machines hypnotize you. I used to dream about them at night, ching, ching, the sound of the slots.

Still, few doubt the overall economic impact thus far has been positive. Dianne Harenski, a member of the Biloxi City Council.

said the city had expected a half million dollars a month in revenues from its casino tax. The figure for the most recent month was \$1.2 million. That has allowed the city to buy seven police cars and two fire trucks, and plan major capital projects that had been needed for years.

Wider Inquiry is Urged in Human Experiments

WASHINGTON - The Chinton administration is being pressed to delve deeper into the record of U.S. government research using

human subjects, perhaps opening a comprehensive review of the nation's research ethics during the past half century.

What began as a discussion of radiation experiments related to the nuclear weapons program during the Cold War, and promoted by Energy Secretary Hazel R. O'Leary as part of an initiative to reveal her agency's atomic secrets, has expanded to include radiation experiments conducted by several agencies and involving thousands of subjects.

The administration has promised a thorough search of records by the Energy Department, the Defense Department, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the CIA and federal health agencies on research involving human subjects who were exposed to radiation, often without their knowledge. Many of the experiments were done for medical reasons, not in the name of national security.

Although much about the research has been known in academic and scientific circles for decades, its troubling history is only now getting widespreads public recognition, in part because the administration has piedged an investigation. Now, politicians and public interest groups are beginning to suggest that fully understanding that research may call for an examination that focuses not just on radiation, but on broader ethical questions.

Senator John Glenn, Democrat of Ohio and chairman of the Governmental Affairs Committee, said he would schedule hearings into the testing, and he called for a full investigation of all human

experiments up to the present day.

"Let me make myself clear that I am talking about more than radiation testing," Mr. Glems said. "I am calling for a government-wide review of all testing programs, from drug tests at the Food and Drug Administration to military tests at the Defense Department, to determine if any improper experiments on humans persist to this

Clinton Furious Over Directive He Never Saw

WASHINGTON — The administration's plan to require Medicaid coverage of abortions in cases of rape or moest was disclosed before anyone had told President Bill Clinton of the order, and he was furious at its premature disclosure, according to administration

On Dec. 28, three days after disclosure of the plan, the Department of Health and Human Services seat letters to officials in all states saying their Medicaid programs must finance abortions

states saying their Medicaid programs must funce abortons for low-income women in cases of rape or incest. Medicaid is the federal-state program that provides health care for poor people. Time magazine reported this week that Mr. Clinton said he was shocked to learn of the directive. It quoted Mr. Clinton as saying in an interview: "There was no decision by me. If never came to the Oval Office. I'm going to find out what happened, why it happened, and then we'll see."

Officials at the Department of Health and Human Services said the decision of the direction to the White Human Services said

they had sent a draft of the directive to the White House before it was disclosed. But White House officials evidently did not take notice of

In any event, Medicaid officials said they had no discretion in the matter. Under an appropriations bill approved by Congress and signed by Mr. Clinton in October, they said, federal funds are available for abortions in cases of rape or incest, and states must

contribute to the cost of the procedure in such cases.

U.S. government health officials said the president was not angry about the content of the directive, but was distressed over the way it.

had been disclosed.

The secretary of health and human services, Donna E. Shalata, said: I was as angry as the president. We all hate leaks. The problem was the leak." (NYT)

President Chinton as he told the NATO allies of his place for a military Partnership for Peace with former Warsaw Pact nations:
"Let me say here to the people in Europe's East, we share with you a common destiny and we are committed to your success. The demo-cratic community has grown and now it is time to begin welcoming these newcomers to our neighborhood."

Away From Politics

· Lorenz Bobbitt went on trial for severing her husband's penis in an e Lorenz Bobbit went on trial for severing her massing a pens in an assault her lawyers said was prompted by an "niresistible impulse" after repeated beating and rape by her husband. Her lawyer said John Wayne Bobbit's penis had become a symbol of a "reign of terror" forced on the petite, 24-year-old woman and cutting it off was an act of escape. The lawyer said the trial in Manassas, Virginia, would show that "a life is more valuable than a penis." Mr. Bobbit, an ex-Marine, was found not guilty in November of raping his wife.

 A mild earthquake shook parts of Los Angeles, setting off car alarms, ratting glasses and starting residents but causing no serious damage. The quake registered 3.7 on the Richter scale and was centered off the coast.

 The American Historical Association will move its 1995 conference out of Cincinnati because that city's charter forbids laws to protect homosexuals. The organization said it would not hold its meeting in cities where its members could be subject to discrimination. Voters amended the charter in November to bar the City Council from enacting or enforcing laws that give equal protection to homosexuals who seek employment, housing or public accommodations. A federal judge has blocked implementation of the amendment pending trial of a lawsuit filed by gay-rights activists.

 The Coast Guard and private contractors gained the upper hand on an oil spill that stained the beaches in San Juan, Puperto Rico, and threatened its tourist industry. The Coast Guard reported that in the first two and a half days since a barge hit a coral reef 300 yards of shore, nearly 100,000 of the 750,000 gallons of oil disgorged into the Atlantic had been recovered.

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Clinton Nominee Retracts Name for Peacekeeping Post

By Eric Schmitt

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Morton H.
Halperin, President Bill Clinton's embattled choice to fill a new Pentagon position to direct peacekeeping policy, has withdrawn his name for the job, according to administration officials.

The nomination of Mr. Halperin. 55, a former director of the Washington office of the American Civil Liberties Union, stirred a level of passion unusual for a midlevel post, as conservatives attacked the liberal positions he had staked out through three decades. Mr. Halperin reversed his initial support of the Vietnam War, fought with the Nixon administration during the Watergate scandals and criticized many U.S. spying operations abroad.

But his chances to be assistant secretary of defense for democracy and peacekeeping fell victim not only to resistance on the Senate Armed Services Committee in November but also to the reshaping of the president's much criticized foreign policy team. The nomination also promised to complicate the te confirmation hearings of Bobby Ray Inman, Mr. Clinton's choice to succeed Defense Secretary Les Aspin, who is resigning.

mally expired in November, when the Senate did not act on it before adjourning. At the time, the White House expressed confidence in his qualifications and said it would resubmit his nomination when Congress reconvened later this month. Administration officials said they had anticipated a tough fight but believed they would prevail.

Then in December, Mr. Aspin, Mr. Halperin's patron and biggest supporter in the administration, announced that he would resign effective Jan. 20. Mr. Aspin had hoped to use unconventional new posts like the peacekeeping one to reshape U.S. international rela-tions in the post-Cold War world. Mr. Aspin's designated successor, Mr. Inman, has praised Mr. Halperin but also raised doubts about whether the job he was to

hold was necessary. It now appears likely that the post will be dropped with Mr. Halperin's bowing out. "Mort wanted to serve with Sec-

retary Aspin." a senior Defense Department official said, "but with the other changes coming, he has decided to not move forward."

Associates said Mr. Halperin, who has been working as a Pentagon consultant pending his Senate hearings, had discussed his deci-sion with Frank G. Wisner, the undersecretary of defense for policy, and with White Honse officials over the last several days.

Administration officials said

Sunday that they were still considering another job for Mr. Halperin, but probably one that would not require Senate confirmation. One post that has been mentioned is that of head of the State Department's policy-planning bureau. In the meantime, Mr. Halperin will continue acting as a Pentagon consultant, they said.

Mr. Halperin's decision cleared a tentially troublesome burdle for Mr. Inman's confirmation hearing, which is scheduled for Jan. 25 or Jan. 26. Republicans on the Armed Services Committee had told Pentagon aides that they would grill Mr. Inman about Mr. Halperin, possibly jeopardizing the defense nominee's chances for approval.

Administration officials have expressed concern that such a strate reports of human rights abuses, gy could undernine their plans to have Mr. Inman quickly help improve relations between the White House and the armed forces and to give a boost to the administration's flagging national security team.

In Mr. Halperin's first hearing before the Armed Services Com-mittee, on Nov. 19, conservative senators said his published articles criticizing the use of U.S. troops abroad made him especially unsuitable for the new job. "Since we are convinced he al-

American lives and interests in jeopardy, we have a constitutional and moral obligation to oppose him, "Senator Strom Thurmond of cista National Liberation Army, ful car bomb rocked an under-South Carolina, the panel's ranking launched the New Year's Day up-Republican, said at the hearing. Issue, which the government says City before dawn Saturday, injur-



Members of the press, which has been denied access to the fighting by the government, at an army roadblock near San Cristôbal.

Salinas Aide From Embattled State Quits

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MEXICO CITY - President Carlos Salinas de Gortari announced on Monday the resignation of his interior minister and named a special envoy to seek a

settlement in the uprising in the southeastern state of Chiapas. Mr. Salinas, in a speech to the nation, said Patrocinio González Blanco Garrido, a former governor of Chiapas who has been cited in

cho Solis was appointed head of a commission for peace and reconciliation in Chiapas.

It was not immediately clear whether the government had demanded the resignation of Mr. González, who had been in the post for a year. The government rarely comments publicly on the reasons for cabinet changes, and no official ready has and will in the future put explanation was given for Mr. González's decision to step down.

Rebel descendants of Maya Indians, calling themselves the Zapa-

has claimed 100 lives in the impoverished southern state.

The estimated 2,000 peasants. called Zapatistas, say they are fighting to regain their ancestral homelands in Chiapas and have vowed to topple the government. Shortly after taking over at least six Chiapas cities, they said would

advance to Mexico City. While bombs went off in Mexico City, sporadic fighting was still tak-ing place in Chiapas, where the Mexican military has continued to bombard the peasants' mountain

hideouts. Television reports said paratroopers had been brought into San Cristóbal de las Casas to be

dropped into remote combat zones. Leftist groups sympathizing with the Zapatistas exploded bombs over the weekend in Mexico City and Acapulco.

A truck loaded with explosives blew up outside a military com-pound in Naucalpan late Saturday, and three bombs went off below a nearby electrical tower, the police said. No one was injured in the incidents.

The attacks came after a power

ing one person and causing exten- Samuel Ruiz, the bishop of the sive damage. No one claimed re- embattled San Cristobal diocese, sponsibility for the blast but the message "We've arrived" was to take part in talks to end the scrawled on nearby walls.

said he had agreed to rebel requests to take part in talks to end the uprising.

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In War on Drugs, the Rotary Connection

By Douglas Martin

New York Times Service NEW YORK — At Eighth Ave-mic and West 45th Street are three pay telephones. A man looks at the first, shakes his head and goes to the second. He rolls his eyes and moves to the third. Finally, he shrugs, shoves in 25 cents and dials - methodically putting his index finger in the little hole over each number and turning the dial seven

"I don't like it," said the man, Jimmie Tomlin. "It takes too long to dial and I've got places to go." Three decades after buttons began to replace rotary dials on American phones, time has re-versed itself at about 250 outdoor pay phones in New York City. Responding to appeals from commu-

do business, the phone company, Nynex, has brought back old-fashioned dialing.

The rotary dial is a step backward technologically, but it pre-vents a drug dealer from paging a customer or runner," said Steven Marcus, a Nynex spokesman, who said the change was made as "an absolute last resort," since the phones cannot take advantage of many new services, like voice mail, that rely on push-button phones.

The return to rotary dialing is the most drastic measure in a cam-paign that began with improving lighting moving phones away from problem areas, then disabling them so they cannot receive incoming calls. Now Nynex is taking rotary

nity groups trying to stop drug pay phones, which are no longer resorts as a response to community dealers from using public phones to made in the United States, out of business, the phone company, storage.

resorts as a response to community concerns," said Beverly Levy, spokeswoman for Southern New storage.
Astonishment seems the most

prevalent response. "It wakes you up a little," said Willie Campbell, a cab driver who pulled over to the Eighth Avenue phone to call his sister. "It's an eye-opener."

Phone company officials ac-knowledge that callers can use a device called a tone dialer, which is sold for about \$15 at electronics stores, to send tone signals over a phone with a rotary dial, but add that the devices do not appear to have caught on. Phone companies in other areas

have also brought back rotary pay phones on drug-infested corners, though not on a widespread basis.
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Phillip Jones, a spokesman for

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Environmental Challenge to NAFTA Dies

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The nine justices, without com-

the treaty was approved in November, the issue remains alive because President Bill Clinton plans to submit a new global trade agreement to Congress this year.

In their 1991 Jawsmi, the Sierra

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agreement would harm air quality

Club and Ralph Nader's Public Columbia reversed that in Septem-Citizen said the North American ber. The president was the central figure in the treaty, the appeals in American cities along the Mexi- court said, adding that his actions ment, rejected arguments by two can border and jeopardize U.S. are not "agency action" and thus citizens groups that even though their challenge became moot when and the transportation of hazard-

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Shells Hit Sarajevo as **Rivals Meet** In Bonn

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - Shells crashed into the center of Sarajevo on Monday, wounding 12 people, while in Brussels, leaders of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization reaffirmed their readiness to launch air strikes to break the Serbian stranglehold on the city.

in Sarajevo, a wire-guided missile fired from the direction of a Serb position hit a residential area near the city center, where in the last week 46 people have been

In central Bosnia, Moslems and Croats continued to struggle for territory, as peace talks by their representatives in Bonn went into a second day.

Talks on ending Bosnia's civil war have often been accompanied by an increase in fighting, as war-ring sides try to gain greater leverage at the negotiating table.

At least 6 people were killed and fighting Sunday and Monday near Vitez that began with a Moslem offensive on the Croat enclave they have surrounded. The fighting continued Monday at a lower intensi-

In Bonn, Bosnia's Muslim president, Alija Izetbegovic, and Croatia's president, Franjo Tudjman, held face-to-face talks. Saraievo radio said these included new initiatives on Muslim access to the sea

Diplomats said a new map had been circulated at the Bonn talks, giving the Muslims just over a third of Bosnian territory. In Geneva, where full-scale peace negotiations are due to resume Jan. 18, diplomats said the map met the target, set by European Union ministers, of awarding a third of the republic's territory to Muslims under an

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be pressurized to fire the braking rockets, which

would put the Observer into orbit around Mars.

tanks, minute amounts of condensed oxidizer

may have been carried prematurely into contact with the hydrazine fuel. The combination

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ic," Mr. Zlatar said. "They could be

worse than the shelling. We could

have 30,000 people come down

with stomach diseases, and some of

"We ask that at least 20 different

them could die."

WATER: U.S. Purification Project May Soon Fill the Pipes in Sarajevo

30," he added, referring to the U.S.-built Hercules cargo aircraft that flew the equipment to Croatia. We ended up with three inches to spare on either side."

The frequent shelling and sniper fire at Sarajevo's airport also required that the modules be unloaded quickly from the Canadian Air Force planes that flew them into Sarajevo from Zagreb, Croatia.

The modules then had to be driven along a frontline road and through a Serbian checkpoint.

The Serbs blocked the stuff at the airport," Mr. Cuny said, "because we weren't doing anything on

NASA: Why \$500 Million Mars Probe May Have Fizzled at the Finish Line

valves," said a planetary engineer who asked

not to be identified. "The valves were never

intended to be operated that way." He was

referring to the assumption that the valves would have to operate only for five days, not for

11 months, and not in such cold temperatures.

tractors, were regarded as assembly line items

that had been proven in other spacecraft. But

they had operated only in the relative warmth

of near-Earth orbit, investigators said, never in

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the deep cold of an interplanetary voyage.

The valves, made by two different subcon-

through then."

Financing came from a \$50 million grant from the Soros Foundation, a philanthropic group in New York that has funneled millions of dollars into Eastern Europe. An additional \$2.7 million from the group has enabled 20,000 Saraievans to connect to a natural-gas line so they can heat their homes

Mr. Cuny said the second of the five water modules would be ready to come on line Tuesday. When all five are hooked up, the system will be able to provide a third of the city with 24-hour water service, and more if the 450,000 liters (118,500

gust when the Western nations gallons) of water the system pro-were talking about bombing," he duces each hour is shunted from the Miljacka, which has been the said. "The about the subject of jokes among Sarajevans."

Because the module system runs off its own generator, it is not subject to the vagaries of Sarajevo's power grid. Because it is mobile, it may be transported to other needy areas of Bosnia.

The biggest hitch so far has come from local water-safety inspectors, who have demanded additional testing although local engineers who took part in the project said the water was potable.

"This is surface water exposed to pollutants and intentional tampering," said Mohammed Zlatar, deputy head of Sarajevo's Institute for

In 1992, the Observer team debated the

change in procedures extensively before it was

approved, a member of the investigating panel,

Peter G. Wilhelm, director of the Naval Center

for Space Technology, said Thursday. He fo-

cused during the investigation on the propul-

"Was the decision prudent? That's what the debate was all about," he said, adding that

changes so late in the game are acceptable,

'assuming you make the right change.'

tests be made before we let the

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The HOUGH the cause of Alz-L heimer's disease remains unknown, researchers have made a number of important discoveries that have helped us to understand the molecular and genetic basis of this disease. "Hannah's Heirs" chronicles the search to discover an

abnormal gene for familial Alz-heimer's disease. Throughout this scientific saga, Daniel A. Pollen, a neurologist of the University of Massachusetts Medical Center,

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scientists over several decades. With Alois Alzheimer's exploration of the brains of patients with pre-

senile dementia providing an appropriate backfrop, Pollen gives a penetrating account of competitive science and the race to identify the gene for familial Alzheimer's disease. Throughout this account Pol-len details high technology and im-portant breakthroughs in molecular genetics.

For Hannah's family the race cul-

minated in the fall of 1992 when researchers decisively linked the ab-normal gene to a marker on Chro-mosome 14. Although these studies have not yet identified a specific gene responsible for familial Alzheimer's disease, researchers hope to discover it within several years.

Pollen has written a compelling medical detective story that, for all

its scientific complexity, never fails to remind us of the human toll of Alzheimer's disease, Charles did not inherit the abnormal gene, but four of his siblings did, and we are deeply moved by his anguish over them. "This is a story that had to be told," said Ben, another of Hannah's great-grandsons. "Our aspirations were transcendent, but because it involved people it could not be told without the " not be told without tears."

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Walesa Sees 'Step in Right Direction'

Reuters but in the right direction," Presi-WARSAW — Poland on Mon-dent Lech Walesa said at a cabinet weapons at NATO's disposal when day gave tentative approval to a meeting.
NATO plan to increase military Hunga links with countries in Eastern Eu-

But the cabinet said the NATO initiative, Partnership for Peace, was less far-reaching than it had hoped. It said that formal approval would be given only after full details were made available at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization summit meeting in Brussels.

Hungary and Slovakia have already accepted the plan, which was

offered to Russia and other Eastern European states. Mr. Walesa suggested earlier Monday that NATO agree to a set

"It is a step which is too short, has not asked Russia to put their NATO.

actly how Russian nuclear weapons might be controlled if it joined NATO. But he said offering memof membership conditions for Russia, including giving NATO access to its nuclear arsenal.

bership to Russia as well as other former Warsaw Pact members would keep Moscow from being isolated, which is one of the concerns cited by Russian officials op-

they join," he said. "Nobody has

dared ask such a question so far."

Mr. Walesa did not suggest ex-

CLINTON: A Sigh of Relief From European Leaders

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member NATO pack and a sharp critic of Mr. Clinton's abortive push for air strikes against Serbian forces in Bosnia last year, had warm words for Mr. Clinton.

President François Mitterrand found a convergence of views on policy toward the former Yugosla-via in a head-to-head talk with Mr. Clinton between official summit meetings, said his spokesman, Jean Musitelli. Mr. Mitterrand welcorned Mr. Clinton's renewed commitment to supply up to 25,000 U.S. troops to help police a Bosnian peace agreement, if one can be reached, as well as his declared sup-port for NATO air strikes in Bosnia if the United Nations calls for them, Mr. Musitelli said.

In addition to the relief in Eu-

rope that Mr. Clinton had reaffirmed a security commitment made by eight previous U.S. presidents over the past half century. European leaders were encouraged by a Clinton departure: his clear support for European efforts to forge its own defense capability. Chancellor Helmut Kohl said

Germany was "very grateful" that Mr. Clinton supported the summit meeting's call for the creation of NATO task forces that could be detached to the Western European Union, the 10-nation defense arm of the European Union. One senior German official said

Mr. Clinton's endorsement of militar cooperation among European nations stood in sharp contrast to the administration of former President George Bush, which viewed

Bonn was not concerned that the new NATO task forces might encourage a further U.S. disengagement from Europe's defense, this

"Nobody knows what it will look like in 10 years," this official said of NATO, "but for now we don't fear

For their part, U.S. officials said they were cheered by the early En-ropean reviews of Mr. Clinton's performance.

"It hopefully will put to rest once and for all the feeling that we are either turning away from Europe." said Stuart Eizenstat, the U.S. delogate to the European Union, "or that the United States feels it is better off with a weak European Union than a stronger one."

Catharina Dales, in Dutch Cabinet, Dies

AMSTERDAM — Catharina (Ien) Dales, 62, the Dutch minister of the interior, died overnight of heart failure at her home in Utrecht, her ministry said Monday. She was appointed to Prime

Minister Rund Lubbers's center-

left coalition cabinet in November had a long-standing relationship with a female partner but had re-Miss Dales was responsible for

negotiating wage deals with the powerful civil service unions and

acquired a reputation for driving a

hard bargain.
Miss Dales was unmarried and

fused to discuss her private life. Phoemi Yougvichit, 85, former

president of Laos, died Friday in Vientiane after suffering chronic heart disease, the Laos news agency said Monday.

dedication and willingness to partic-

ipate in studies made it possible to

As he left Pollen's office, Jeff

said: "Doctor, we will help in any

way we can. We only want to help

In an effort to acquire a complete

record of Jeff's ancestry, Pollen con-

tacted Jeff's referring physician, Charles, a pathologist and Hannah's grandson. Charles had meticulously

charted the family's medical histor-

ies over several generations and across continents. With these price-

less records, molecular geneticists

that had affected Hannah's heirs.

pated in since the mid-1950s, includ-

ing investigations attempting to link

could begin their search for the gene

search for the abnormal gene.

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HANNAH'S HEIRS: The Quest for the Genetic Origins of Alzheimer's Disease

By Daniel A. Pollen. 296 pages. \$25. Oxford University Press.

David Armstrong

blends suffering and courage with a clear account of the advances of contemporary science as he follows from it, resulting in expenditures of his family for four generations. researchers and their race to solve \$90 billion for medical bills, mursing Pollen immediately realized contemporary science as he follows the mysteries of this disease.

ed States, carrying this dreaded dis-meant that he had the familial form logical holocaust.

 Martin Posth, member of the board of directors at Volkswagen in Wolfsburg, Germany, is reading Plato's "Republic" in the original "This book is truly an original Plato's lessons taken from Greek antiquity are just as applicable today as they were then. The precision of the Greek language and its expressions strengthen this." (Michael Kallenbach, [HT]

ease and enduring a "personal bio- of the disease, which is inheritable and represents approximately 10 to 15 percent of Alzbeimer's cases. But it was that he carried with him a detailed pedigree documenting the occurrence of Alzheimer's disease in

Pollen immediately realized the and home care costs, and lost pro- importance of Jeff and his family the mid-1800s. In middle life she century the number is expected to Alzheimer's. Although excited developed difficulty with recent memory and eventually with her personal care. Of her nine children, four were affected with the same life on the same life one for the same lif

Alzheimer's disease to specific blood groups and to identify a viral cause for the disease. As Pollen describes these earlier studies, he provides a rich historical perspective of Alzan interesting account of how science, government and individuals worked together to increase public

awareness of Alzheimer's disease. As a result the National Institute of Aging was formed, as were organizations offering support to patients disease. Hannah's children and ready developing signs of Alz-firmed. To a large extent, this book grandchildren traveled throughout Russia and eventually to the Unit-summised that Jeff's relative youth extended family, whose courage, and care givers.
"Hannah's Heirs" reveals that the search to understand the genetics of Alzheimer's disease has been long and arduous, involving many

By Robert Byrne

I N Game 5 of the women's title match Jun Xie of China, the 23year-old women's world champion, won the match against Nana lose-

liani of Georgia.
loseliani used the supersharp Classical Variation against Jun's King's Indian Defense throughout the series. This game followed Game 3, Jun pressing loseliani with 7...Nc6 to close the center with 8 d5, which gave White control of a preponderance of queenside space. in return, Black would work for a kingside attack with 15...f5, but not before trying to slow the enemy

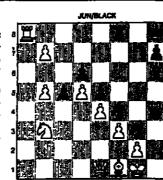
Jun played 10...Nd7 11 Rb1 f5 and drew in Game 3, but now she shifted to 10...Bd7. Jun did not at once follow

through on her kingside attack, but put another obstacle in Ioscliani's way with 17...c5. On 18 de Be6, Black's pressure against the e4 and a4 pawns would have made it difficult for White to gain the initiative. After 21 Nb5 Bb5 22cb, there was no time for delay because 23
a5, 24 ab. 25 Na5 and 26 Nc6
would be positionally powerful.
Jun shot 22. g4 23 a5 g3! to break
So Ioseliani threw everything
into her queenside attack with 25
ab Ra2 26 Qa2 fg 27 b7. In any
case, 27 Be3? Nd5! 28 ed Qb4 29 open the king position. Or. 24 hg Nh5! 25 gf et 26 Qel, Jun would have activated her attack with

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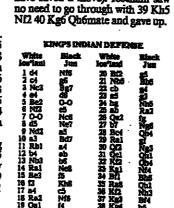


Position after 35 Ras

26...Ng6, 27...Be5 and 28...Ng3. Moreover, winning a pawn with 25 g4 Ng3 26 Bg3 fg 27 Qe1 Bh6 28 Qg3 would have proven to be a disaster after 28...Be3 29 Kh1 Rf6 30 g5 Qg8 31 Qg4 Bg5 32 g3 Rg6 33 Qd7 Bf4! 34 g4 Rh6 35 Kg2 Rh2 36 Kg1 Qg5 37 Rf2 Be3! 38 Kh2 Qh4 39 Kg2 Qf2 40 Kh3 Bf4, which forces mate.

forces mate. Rel Bh6! 30 Bc4 Be3 31 Re3 Nf4!

Jun was in no hurry to seize the



David Armstrong an associate professor at Georgetown University Medical College, wrote this for The Washington Post.

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New York Times Service PARIS - Never shy about playing the maverick in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, France's insistence that a reluctant alliance address the Bosnian war for its position. Noting that NAon Monday reflected both a desire. to show political leadership in Enrope and a need to convince public opinion at home that it is working TO's credibility was at stake, howto end the conflict.

Britain, Germany and the Unit-

ed States had been eager to keep ssued, those who attack Sansjewo the focus of NATO's summit meet must understand that we are seriing in Brussels on the alliance's new ous." Partnership for Peace with Eastern Europe's emerging democracies, ment to be issued Toesday, the alli-They apparently feared that discussion of the Balkan crisis could ex-

diers stationed in the former Yngo-slavia, said the issue should not be ignored. On Monday, President general, Butros Butros Chali,

Prançois Mitterrand urged his col-leagues to reiterate NATO's will that military intervention was any the people there to kill each other ingness to launch air strikes to protect international peacekeepers.

On Monday night, it appeared that France had won U.S. backing

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ever, President Bill Clinton told the leaders that, if a new warning were

According to the draft of a stateance will describe the present situa-

closer. He noted that negotiation until the last man?" Mr. Mitteroffered the only solution "as long rand asked last week. "Should we as states are unwilling to use force stay on and be a target for those and, up to now, they have been who leave death? Both are commwiling to do so."

During a visit to Paris, Mr. Bu-tros Ghali also reminded NATO that it was up to the UN Security Conneil to order the use of force.

"It is the council that gives a mandate to NATO, just as it may not give one," he said, adding that "a declaration by President Clinton does not suffice."

This line council that gives a first attention to the mandator of the peacekeeping effort in frequent interviews on French television and ratio.

At the same time, French officers

While France can claim a small diplomatic victory at NATO, its more immediate problem at home sion of the Balkan crisis could ex-pose embarrassing rifts among the flatlies.

It is to justify maintaining the largest threaten air strikes to prevent the foreign continent in a UN peace-strangulation of Sarajevo, the safe keeping force that is increasingly the strict of the foreign continent in a UN peace-strangulation of Sarajevo, the safe keeping force that is increasingly areas and other threatened areas of caught in the cross fire between the Bosnia and Herzegovina warring factions. So far, 18 French
The United Nations secretary—soldiers have been killed and 268

pletely untenable." General Jean Cot, the French

Army officer who commands the 30,000-strong UN force in former Yogoslavia, has repeatedly drawn French attention to the inadequacy

cials often complain that the United States and other European governments are not sharing the peacekeeping burden. The United States has refused to send ground troops to Bosnia until a peace ment is in place. Only Britain has sent a contingent comparable to that of France. During the latest wave of shell-

ing of Sarajevo, however, the government has been under pressure by French public opinion to act. According to one recent poll, the French public now favors direct military intervention. On New Year's Eve, many people in France lit candles outside their windows to remember the victims of Sarajevo.

Political experts said that, with France now closer to NATO than at any time since de Gaulle withdrew French forces from the alliance's integrated military command in 1966, the government would have been sharply criticized if the Brussels summit meeting had brushed aside the Bosnian war.

By taking the lead in pressing for tougher international action, France also has been able to show political leadership within a Euro-pean Union that claims to be ready to adopt a common foreign policy but that in practice has been both divided and paralyzed by the Bal-kan conflict.

Mitterrand Rules Out NATO Role

Committed by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS - President François Mitterrand has ruled out any possibility that France might rejoin the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's integrated military com-

In an interview on the eve of the NATO summit meeting in Brussels, Mr. Mitterrand made his first 1988.

He said NATO's main priority was to develop a common West European defense strategy.
NATO's "first priority is to take

terms of defense, he said. Community, now the European Union, has set itself the goal of drawing up a truly European identity on defense, followed by a joint

defense and security policy capable
of leading to a real joint defense
strategy," Mr. Mitterrand said.
He added that during NATO's Rome summit meeting in 1991, members set out principles of "transparency and complimentar-ity," especially between NATO and

tion Treaty.

The warheads would be shipped intact to Russia, where the highly-enriched nuclear fuel would be removed. There or in the Theorem word. the Western European Union. "These principles have not changed," he said. "The WEU is, moreover, clearly designed to be a component for the defense of the It would then be sold by the

European Union." De Gaulle took France out of NATO's integrated military com-

"There is no reason to change our particular military situation within NATO," Mr. Mitterrand der a complicated formula that has the signing of the agreement. mes, the total number of warheads der a complicated formula that has within NATC After a new parliament is chosen involved is 1,240 for long-range still not been entirely worked out. said Sunday. (AFP, Remers)

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Clinton Weighs In With Kohl And Brussels Commuters Catch President on the Run

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Clinton greated Chancellor Hel-BRUSSELS — President Bill Clinton greeted Chancellor Helmut Kohl by jovially noting the German leader's sizeable girth.

"I was thinking of you last night, Helmut, because I watched the sumo wrestling." Mr. Clinton quipped, grasping Mr. Kohl's arms teasingly.

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It may not have been the most diplomatic thing to say, but Mr. Clinton quickly covered his tracks to include himself in the

Referring to his own continual battle against extra weight, Mr. Chinton explained, "You and I are the biggest people here and we're still 100 pounds too light." The two appeared to be on

familiar bantering terms as the president met with members of the German delegation. As offi-cials were identifying themselves to Mr. Clinton, Mr. Kohl interjected with a smile, "And I'm the German chancellor." ________...

Some bleary-eyed Belgian commuters did a double take during rush hour early Monday, spotting the president of the United States jogging in the inside lane.

Some even stammed on the

brakes when they recognized the figure in the all-white outfit, exefor drivers heading into the city. At daybreak, Mr. Clinton went in his presidential limea-sine to a leafy park, Bois de la the U.S. ambassador to the Eu-Cambre, where he jogged for half ropean Union, "and there's nev-

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airport there late on Wednesday night with President Leonid M.

Kraychuk of Ukraine, who will later travel to Moscow for a signing ceremony on Friday with Mr. Clin-ton and President Boris N. Yeltsin

The agreement could still fall

apart; Mr. Kravchuk liss failed in the past to bring the Ukrainian parliament along with him. This time, Mr. Clinton said, "we have no reason to doubt the ability of the

president to keep the commitment that he is prepared to make."

A Clinton administration

Ukraine specialist said that all the warheads would have to be out of Ukraine within seven years after

It just wouldn't do for a president to travel alone.

At Zaventem Airport on Sonday morning, it was not just Air

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Force One but its identical twin, another specially outlitted 747, that touched down to disgorge the American entourage.

The passengers, well over 300 of them along with scores of Se-

cret Service agents, brought such a redundancy of expertise that if Mr. Clinton tires of his national security adviser and secretary of state, he need only turn to the deputies of each.

Even the official delegation, which includes 79 staff members from the White House alone, was preceded to Brussels by three separate advance groups, including one that arrived two weeks ago and never left.

Its daily efforts to orchestrate every detail of Mr. Clinton's visit. have been a source of not a little strain in a capital that is home to the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and in which the United States maintains three ambassadors.

"T've been on a lor of presidenpal trips in my day," said Stuart Eigenstat, the former Carter ad-ministration official who is now

plans to expand its cooperation with Ukraine, "especially in the economic area."

ment covered 176 missiles and 1,500 warheads. But his experts lat-

er amended those figures. There are

in fact 175 missiles, they said, including older SS-19s, which may be

starting to fall apart after poor maintenance and newer SS-24s. According to the amended fig-

mes, the total number of warheads

Mr. Clinton said that the agree-

One aspect of the trip that no one at the White House will discuss is exactly what it will cost U.S. taxpayers, although they acknowledge that the best guess for the cost of keeping Air Force One in the air is \$26,000 an hour.

The roughest of guides can be found in the trip's cost to news organizations, who will pay \$830,000 just to fly aboard a chartered Northwest Airlines 747 to each of the five stops.

Even that figure is so sensitive that the White House Correspondents Association began the trip by trying the kind of damage control more often practiced by the groups its members cover.

As part of the airline's firstclass service, reporters were told when they boarded the craft Saturday morning, four masseuses would fly on the trip's last leg to help ease nine days' worth of neck and shoulder strains.

Nothing doing, said George Condon the Copley Newspapers correspondent who is president of the organization. He said he would rather spurn the free back rubs than risk the embarrass-ment of their disclosure. Mr. Condon said an informal poll found that a majority of his colleagues on board agreed.

be said Sunday, adding that he had been assured that White House travel planners had nothing to do with the offer.

with other materials to create less highly enriched fuel of the type

United States Enrichment Corp., which maintains a market through-

Proceeds from such sales, which

would take place over a period of about 20 years, would go to Russia,

which would then share them un-

used in nuclear power plants.

tled in Ukraine.

out the world.

Mrs. Albright and President Havel of the Czech Republic, discussing the pros and cons of Partnership for Peace on Monday in Prague.

Prague Is 3d to Back Partnership Plan

By David B. Ottaway

Washington Past Service PRAGUE — The Clinton administration's high-powered campaign to persuade four East European countries to accept its go-slow approach toward their integration into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization appears to have

largely accomplished its mission. But in the process, it has shattered a fledgling regional security alliance.

The Czech Republic on Monday became the third nation to express its unequivocal support for the U.S.-initiated Partnership for Peace plan for progressively closer military cooperation with NATO, without guarantees for its security and full membership that it had initially sought.

After a meeting with the U.S. administra-tion's two special envoys, Madeleine K. Al-bright and General John M. Shalikashvili, Foreign Minister Josef Zieleniec of the Czech Republic said, "We are fully convinced this project opens for us the possibility to become a member of the alliance. "We hope that this is a step which could add

something new to the security architecture in Europe," he said. At a press conference Monday, Mrs. Al-

bright, ambassador to the United Nations and a member of Mr. Clinton's cabinet, said she was pleased with the "enthusiastic reception" that of three other East European capitals she has visited with General Shalikashvili. He is chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

U.S. officials said that Czoch leaders, including those in parliament, had said they would change this year's projected balanced budget to accept a I percent deficit in order to finance the local cost involved for their participation in joint military exercises and planning with

This was the most concrete offer made by any of the four East European nations so far. It highlighted how, after initial doubts and criticisms, they are openly competing to see which one will become the first partner in the new military cooperation program.

In fact, the Czech Republic's leaders say they are striving to become the first to join the Partnership for Peace program and have rejected efforts by Poland to formulate a common stand by the Visegrad Group, which includes Hungary and Slovakia.

The group was formed in early 1991 at the initiative of Hungary and was meant to serve both as an instrument for lobbying for entrance into the European Union and as a basis for building a regional political, economic and mil-

After the Slovak part of Czechoslovakia split off to form a separate nation a year ago, it and has been the last of the Visegrad countries became the fourth member of the Visegrad

Hungary, the Czech Republic and Poland are widely regarded as the most advanced politically and economically of all the former Commu-nist-dominated East European nations and those most likely to be accepted as the first members in the Partnership for Peace program.

The plan requires each country to sign independently a "framework document" involving various political and military commitments. and to proceed with a program of military cooperation at a pace and scope of its own

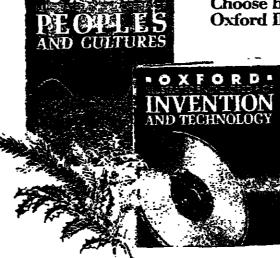
This makes it difficult, if not impossible, for all four nations to proceed together, thus undermining any common security arrangements the Visegrad group might have attempted.

In Budapest on Saturday, Foreign Minister Geza Jeszenszky became the first to welcome the Parmership for Peace initiative, calling it "an important way station on the road to our full integration into the Euro-Atlantic security

Then, on Sunday, Slovakia's leaders also endorsed the plan, saying that their fears of Hungarian expansionism were the prime reason for their decision, according to U.S. officials.

Poland campaigned the hardest for initial to openly support the partnership plan.

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Familiar and Useless

You can talk about change all you want and keep repeating the changers' mantra ("This is the '90s"), but the news of the moment strongly suggests that some things are forever. The gems we have in mind are not diamonds, however; they are sentiments reportedly held in high places on both sides of the Atlantic and, as always, expressed by their proprietors as if they were original thoughts and apt ones at that. There are two of these we have in mind. We'll start with the

one concerning foreign affairs.
As it is said that there is a "chattering class" and a "political class," so there seems also to be a "source class" in the world, and this has long been evident whenever the "whither NATO" subject of American relations with Europe has come into the news. Thus by Sunday the reigning gripe was back in the papers and on the networks: America's European allies were experiencing (yet another) spell of nerves, owing, as usual, to their fears that the United States was abandoning its "leadership" of the West.

This one is at least as old as the Western alliance itself. But, interestingly, in all its permutations over the years it has rarely been accompanied by some corollary concept of European "followership," mainly because in reality none exists, and, anyway, when the complaint is not about lack of American leadership it tends to be about American strongarm tactics. What does exist in reality is a pretty consistently practical and, naturally. often quarrelsome working relationship between the United States and its European allies. Its rituals by now include not just regularly scheduled meetings of the ministers and leaders of these countries, but also great, patronizing sighs of despair expressed by the European source class whenever one of these meetings nears. In their vocabulary, all American presidents (off the record, bien sur) are both are to policy. either fools or maniacs — until such time as

they are superseded in office by another fool or maniac and are retroactively cited as a model of good alliance leadership.

We mention all this by way of suggesting

that it would really be dumb for Clinton administration leaders to make decisions about European affairs on the basis of this ritualistic complaint. But if you want to talk about dumb, you have to consider the foolishness of following the implied direction of the other old chestnut in the news at the moment, the domestic one. It has arisen in the context of the Whitewater saga, is as old as scandal itself in the age of multimedia and deserves a place in one of those anthologies of famous last words, next to something like "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country." It is: "This will be a two-day story."
Evidently, this prescription for disaster has been heard rolling around the inner councils of the administration in recent days, even though, as a political Rx, it is probably responsible for more death and destruction in overnment than anything since the Seven Deadly Sins. As now, the tempting, insidious observation has generally been accompanied by the thought that a masterful showing (anywhere) in foreign or national security policy would blow the trouble away. It is not just that this has never happened. (The Awful Thing, whatever it is, always comes back.) It is that believing the two-day-story nostrum to be true, administrations regularly take actions to suppress curiosity and the flow of information that, inevitably, make the two-month or two-year problem they have incurred greatly, sometimes terminally worse.

So much for change. These two tired old sayings have been around forever, and, so far as we can tell, have never done anyone any good. Real change would be a White House that had the wit to see what shaky guides

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

Get On With the Deal

The lengthening delays in the Middle East peace talks are disheartening to Israelis, Palestinians and others around the world whose hopes soared with the announcement of the historic September framework peace agreement. Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization resumed talks on Monday on the transition to Palestinian rule in Gaza and Jericho. Quick agreement is unlikely, though the first Israeli troop withdrawals are now nearly a month overdue.

Many who thrilled to the prospect of peace knew that the details would be particularly devilish because the framework left so many points intentionally vague. Still, both sides accepted the core principle of expanding Palestinian self-rule under a PLO flag. How then did the atmosphere become so acrimonious, with Israel now openly challenging PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's reliability and legitimacy as a negotiating partner?

One reason is that both sides have been

using the discussion of supposedly technical details to reargue basic questions like Palestinian statehood and sovereignty. The framework agreement excludes statehood for the present interim autonomy period. But it points in the direction of eventual statehood by recognizing Palestinian nationality and PLO political authority.

But the main problem is that both Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Mr. Arafat have tried to shore up domestic political support by exploiting supposed political vulnerabilities in the other's camp. Mr. Arafat calculates that Mr. Rabin needs an agreement even more desperately than he does. Mr. Rabin calculates that Mr. Arafat has been seriously weakened by internal challenges to his autocratic rule of the PLO.

Mr. Arafat is trying to refute charges by militant nationalists that he has sold out statehood in exchange for Jericho and Gaza, which

Closer to a Korean Solution

A rare opportunity now exists for North

Korea to trade its misguided nuclear ambitions, without too much loss of face, for

some Western aid in rebuilding its economy.

This might be wishful thinking, but there are many in Asia who hope that North Korean

leaders will see reason, none more so than

South Korea. But Pyongvang must first ac-

knowledge — as the former Soviet Union did — that its system, after decades of wasteful

misallocation of resources into a needless

nuclear arsenal, is fast becoming a relic

All that the Pyongyang regime has to do is

of a bygone era.

have many people but few resources. So he has been pressing to draw boundaries for Jericho that include some of the Dead Sea's mineral wealth, to limit the visibility of Israeli soldiers and to give Palestinian border guards the main responsibility for policing borders.

Mr. Rabin is eager to reassure Israeli conservatives and centrists that he has not yet conceded a Palestinian state. He resists Mr. Arafat's ever changing demands, in part on legitimate security grounds but also because he thinks that he can now afford to let Mr.

Mr. Rabin showed in September that the most effective way to rally Israeli opinion is to move ahead boldly on the peace front. Mr. Arafat, instead of trying to quiet his people with symbolic victories that the Israelis are not prepared to concede, needs to listen more carefully to the Palestinians who want a more democratic PLO.

Broadening and democratizing the PLO is important, not just for idealistic reasons but to provide political outlets for Palestinian opponents of Mr. Arafat and the peace agreement who might otherwise turn to terrorism. But it is up to Palestinians, not Israelis, to achieve that democratization.

In reality, the two leaders have bound their political fates together and they both know it. As Mr. Rabin acknowledged to reporters last week: "We cooked this food together, and we will have to find a way together to solve differences."

Israel's leaders learned long ago that the PLO was an undemocratic organization led by a mercurial and unaccountable autocrat. Mr. Rabin bargained with it nonetheless because he understood that the PLO, flawed as it is, is Israel's best available Palestinian partner. Israel's responsibility now is to see through the deal it made with Mr. Arafat.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Who Really Believes the Bosnians Don't Matter?

N EW YORK — Madeleine Albright, the U.S. delegate to the United Nations, went last Thursday to a garbage dump outside Vukovar in Serbian-occupied Croatia. At that site Serbian forces are believed to have buried the bodies of 200 Croatian hospital patients they

bodies of 200 Croatian nospital patients they killed after capturing Vukovar.

The mass grave was "a symbol of the Yugoslavian war's inhumanity," Mrs. Albright said. But Vukovar is a symbol of something else, too: the American and European weakness that has encouraged the Serbs in their campaign of terror.

When Serbian forces attacked Vukovar in 1991, reducing the city to rubble, intervention by a small NATO force would have stopped the aggression that went on to genocidal killing in Bosnia. That is not just my belief. It is the judgment of General John Galvin, the former NATO supreme allied commander in Europe.

General Galvin told the House Armed Ser-

vices Committee last May that there were two points when the United States and NATO could have persuaded the Serbs to call off their aggression. The first was when they bombarded Dubrovnik, Croatia's port on the Adrianic, in 1991. The second was the onslaught on Vukovar.

"In the destruction of Dubrovnik," he testified,

"I believe we could have sent the U.S. 6th Fleet, or we could have sent the standing Naval Force Mediterranean into the Adriatic, and with very little military action we could have shown the determination of Western nations, and indeed the By Anthony Lewis

United Nations, that this did not get out of hand."
At Vukovar, he said, "if we had put a relatively small amount of forces on the ground at that time, we could again probably have stopped what has grown into an enormous crisis." But there was none of the "determination" that

General Gaivin said could have been shown. The American president, George Bush, showed only weakness. European leaders were equally feeble. The predictable result was to encourage the demagogue who leads Serbia, Slobodan Milosevic, in his appeal to extreme Serbian nationalism.

If history has any lesson, it is that racist dictators feed on the outside world's weakness. The American and European failures in 1991 were as grave policy misjudgments as any in the 40 years of the North Atlantic Alliance. Yes none of the principals has had the courage or decency to admit responsibility for actions that allowed geno-cide to flourish: not Prime Minister John Major, not Mr. Bush, his secretary of state, James Baker, or his national security adviser, Brent Scowcroft. Mr. Scowcroft had a piece in The New York Times last week (IHT, Jan. 6), written with Rich-

ard Haass, laying out what American foreign policy should be. In it he dismissed Bosnia as a place where U.S. interests are "less than vital." Does Brent Scowcroft see the pictures of civil-ians slaughtered in Sarajevo? Does he know that Serbian gunners have intensified their shelling as if to thumb their noses at this week's NATO summit meeting? Does he believe it is of little consequence that NATO promised to bomb the Serbs if they

went on strangling Sarajevo but has done nothing?
"At present the greatest threat to stability and order in Europe is in Bosnia," Senator Bob Dolesaid on Friday. He added that the Serbian attacks on Sarajevo were "a direct challenge to NATO to back its rhetoric with action." Can anyone really fail to perceive the truth of those statements?

One State Department official who had a part in the Bush policy on Yugoslavia has had the courage to recognize the disaster. That is Warren Zimmermann, a Foreign Service officer for 33 years, who was the U.S. minister in Moscow and ambassador to Yugoslavia. Like his chiefs in the Bush administration, he thought it was best to try to hold Yugoslavia together. But by late 1991 he saw that the policy had encouraged the worst in Mr. Milosevic and was bankrupt.

Last week Warren Zimmermann resigned, in the same the follower to the follower to the follower than the same transfer of t

part in disgust at the failure of the United States to act against the slaughter in Bosnia. He was the fifth and by far the highest-ranking Foreign Service officer to quit on that issue.

To make a grave mistake in foreign policy is bad enough. To repeat it is worse. How keng will President Bill Clinton, like Brent Scowcroft, go on pretending that the destruction of American and NATO credibility in Bosnia does not matter?

The New York Times.

Give NATO Realistic Tasks and Don't Enlarge It By Frederick Bonnart

B RUSSELS—The present summit is probably NATO's most important meeting since the alliance was founded in March 1949. On it hangs not only NATO's future existence but the ability of the international community to shape a civilized world.
In November 1991, NATO leaders

announced a new security architecture based on the start of an era of general prosperity in democracy and the rule of law. But one bloody unchecked conflict after another has demonstrated the unwillingness of its members to involve themselves in actions that do not affect their vital interests. The Brussels summit needs to face up to realities of the world as it has developed. It should state future requirements in relation to real aims that NATO has the capacity to achieve.

The first major test of the alliance after the end of the Cold War, the intervention in the Gulf, was technically a resounding success but produced a misleading impression. Al-though carried out in the name of the United Nations by "interested countries" under American leadership, it

was, in all but name, a NATO operation, in cooperation with local forces. It appeared to show that no power on earth could resist the alliance in the execution of Security Council resolu-

tions to maintain the principles of the United Nations Charter. In reality, the "interested countries" applied full force only to the degree that their immediate interests were concerned; they could not afford to let Saddam Hussein get his hands on Ku-wait's oil. Humanitarian challenges such as the massacre of Kuwaiti civilians or the brutal repression of Kurdish and Shiite minorities - which should have provided the true justification — received a lukewarm re-sponse and have yet to be settled.

The successful action led to the disastrous errors of the war in Yugoslavia. The gap between the intention to preserve the achievements of the Cold War victory and the will to carry that intention out became a chasm.

Having failed to agree to intervene in the early stages when action could have stopped the disaster, the allies tried to salve their consciences by providing humanitarian supplies and sponsoring one peace negotiation after another. It can be argued that these actions serve mainly to prolong the agony of the innocent civilians caught in the cross fire of the forces of local

about Western will to intervene. This lesson should be fully absorbed by the summit when it makes its decla-On. The urgent need is for a cred ble international system to maintain peace and lay the basis for a just existence for the populations of the whole of Europe. It can be achieved only if NATO makes the necessary arrangements with the Central and East European countries to satisfy their security concerns and at the same time comes to an understanding with Russia about common limits

and mutual objectives.

Above all, NATO must remain intact as a strong cohesive organization with clearly defined aims.

European and Baltic countries for admission to NATO are understandable. However, they are not under threat, and there is no sense in committing NATO to security guarantees against currently nonexistent dangers.

and, eventually, harmonization of nent. Their borders are gnaran teed not only by international and national agreements but above all by the imminent danger that any aggres-sion or even undue pressure would present to NATO's present members. Enlargement of the organization would mean dilution and, consequently, loss of strength. It would eventually transform NATO into a security organization for the Conference on Securi-ty and Cooperation in Europe, without cohesion or leadership, common resources or capacity for unified deci-sion-making and subsequent action.

It is far more important for the security of aspiring as well as actual members to maintain and reinforce the elements from which the alliance derives its strength: its unity and its

integrated military structure.

An understanding with Russia is an essential complement to these arrangements. Russia's interest in what it calls its "near abroad" is natural and should be recognized. In return, an equivalent recognition would be required regarding NATO's "near abroad." While Russia's influence and interests could be accepted beyond its eastern and southeastern borders, this cannot apply to its west-ern and southwestern neighbors. Realistic aims for NATO are limit-ed and may fall short of previous aspi-

rations for an immediately better world. But they are within the capacity of the alliance as it exists today. They will provide the secure basis from which further advances can be made.

The writer is editor of NATO's Sixteen Nations, an independent military journal published in Brussels. He contributed this comment to the Inter-national Herald Tribune.

Threats by France, Belgium, Canada and others to pull out their contributions to the UN force if there isn't Agreements on Partnership for Peace will enable those entering into a settlement by spring are obviously meant to cow the Bosnian Muslims into accepting what little they can now get through negotiations. The threats have to be taken seriously in them to participate in NATO activities, including training and exercises, help them restructure their forces, view of the refusal to act against the intense increase of the gratuitous bomand introduce common procedures bardment of Sarajevo after the cynical promise of a Christmas truce, and the provocative blockages or confiscation of aid deliveries to civilians. The frustration and disgust of mili-

tary men on the spot is understand-able. They are not only being made to look impotent and witless; it has to be asked if their mission of "protecting humanitarian relief and certain civilian zones" is not simply adding to the agony and duration of war. The two Balkan wars of 1912 and

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Their Voice

By Flora Lewis

DARIS - The Europe enthusiasts

I seem to have gone the way of the Cold Warriors, as though their cause

were out of date. The Treaty of Maas-tricht has taken effect, but in an at-

mosphere of end of an era, not the

start of a new one.

The conventional explanations for

this apparent resignation are (1) that

the end of Soviet menace reduced the

the end of Soviet menace reduced the incentive for "building Europe," (2) the recession, and (3) the failure to stop war in ex-Yugoslavia.

But it was not Moscow that inspired the idea of Europe, it was the need to and old suppliers and the preduced to and old suppliers.

need to end old rivalries and meet

new challenges in a changed world.

The recession lowers sights and narrows the focus of ambitions, but

nobody imagines that any European state can reverse it effectively on its

own. And the failure in Yugoslavia is due to too little, not too much, will to

No doubt the badly prepared, politically mishandled approach to European Union played a role in creating the impression of hangover once the ceremony was celebrated. That does not explain what he headers who care

not explain why the leaders who were so eager to achieve it seem to have renounced the effort to give it vibrani

life. They have run out of steam.

After the breathless conclusion of

ulation was about having been able to

achieve it without provoking a grave European crisis. It was enough that

Last year's currency upheavals have been contained, and the European Monetary System is functioning almost as if the rules had not been

relaxed. But there is scarcely any talk

now about moving on toward eco-

nomic convergence and preparing for the still ostensibly valid goal of a

single European currency.

The aim of a "common foreign and defense policy" is still on the books.

and it is coming near to achievement in a common policy of do-nothing,

look the other way, in the flagrant case of Bosnia and the looming cases

further east. The European discus-

sion on Bosnia is no longer about what can be done but how to get out. French Defense Minister François

Leotard points out that in the two and

a half years that the Yugoslav wars have been going on, 200,000 people have been killed, more than in the

whole of Eastern Europe during the

whole of the Cold War. He is clearly

aware of the tremendous political, moral and even military implications that abject admission of failure would

have for Europe, the Western alliance and the United Nations.

the worst didn't happen.

the Uruguay GATT round, which has yet to be ratified, all the self-congrat-

make Europe count.

1913, although just as cruel and bar-baric, ended in a matter of weeks. without benefit of peacekeeping forces and foreign aid. Mr. Léotard asks the stinging question of what must be the reaction of public opinion in the United States and Europe as television screens show the parade of welldressed, seemingly self-confident lead-ers at the NATO summit in handsome Brussels, and immediately afterward the haggard refugees, the wounded and dying the day's ravages of Bosnia.

Whatever the reaction, there is still no action. The French minister talks about enabling the Western European Union to take on European security tasks that NATO doesn't want, including in Eastern Europe. But he does not say why the result would be any different from the Bosnia tragedy. Asians ask whether Europe can now be discounted as a prime world force. But Europe is still here, still rich, still with great reserves of brains and power. All the reasons the European

movement began in the 1950s remain valid, if anything more urgent than ever. Much has been accomplished, but it can wither away without continued momentum. The builders of Europe must rediscover their voice.

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show some sincerity in winding down its belligerent military posture to receive the sort of benefits that another former U.S. enemy and hard-line state. Vietnam, is now getting. North Korea should take a leaf from the canny Hanoi leadership, which has buried past hatreds in favor of reconstructing its economy, with help from its Asian neighbors and the United States, while retaining the dominance of the ruling party. Whatever dreams Pyongyang might have of its place in the emerging world order, the reality

Other Comment is that there is no place for a Stalinist gulag in North Asia.

- Business Times (Singapore).

After months of delicate negotiations, North Korea has agreed to permit International

Atomic Energy Agency inspectors to resume surveillance of its seven declared nuclear facilities. It has also expressed a willingness to resume negotiations with South Korea on efforts to denuclearize the peninsula. What North Korea still spurns, and this remains unacceptable, is IAEA inspection of two unacknowledged nuclear waste dumps whose tailings should reveal if Pyongyang has diverted sufficient atomic fuel to make nuclear bombs.

Yet seven-ninths of an agreement is better than none. It is a signal for more diplomacy. The United States can offer economic ties and diplomatic relations as a reward for good behavior. Down the road the international community can settle for nothing less than complete on-demand IAEA inspections, and if it takes the cancellation of U.S.-South Korean military exercises to bring Pyongyang to this point, that is a carrot ready and waiting. The Clinton administration has kept its head in handling this issue. But the danger is not over. - The Baltimore Sun.



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A Many-Splendored 'Greater China'

J AKARTA — East Asians are known for their economic pragmatism and lack of concern wi ideology. Yet it seems to be East Asians who take most seriously talk of a possible clash between East West or between major religious and ethnic groups along the world's cultural fault lines.

Even more worrying is the tendency of East Asians to talk about Coafucian civilization and the role of "overseas Chinese"—the 55 million Chinese living outside China, mainly in Taiwan, Hong Kong and South-east Asia. This debate over Greater China has brought to the surface barely submerged tensions about ethnicity and national identity.

Current worries in East Asia about the notion of Greater China has several reasons. The end of the Cold War shattered old ideologies and resurrected long-standing con-cerns among Chinese and non-Chinese about their roots and basic values. For many, these are questions about the very definitions of the na-

tion-states in which they live. The rise of the mainland Chinese economy, along with the continuing success of Hong Kong, Taiwan and Singapore, has prompted discussion about the so-called Confucian roots of success. Also, as countries in the region become more developed and interdependent they are starting to consider whether there is a cultural basis for cooperation.

The Greater China debate can affect relations between Chinese states and territories and non-Chinese nations, such as Japan and the Koreas. It is also conducted within ethnically diverse states such as Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand which have influential Chinese minorities.

Yet the concept of overseas Chinese, much like that of a Jewish diaspora, is complex. Wang Gung-wu, vice chancellor of the University of Hong Kong, has argued in the case of the Chinese as Martin Kace, an American specialist on Jewish affairs, has done in the case of the Jews, that as cultural characteristics

By Gerald Segal

are mixed into strong host societies, it becomes harder to identify these communities as foreign.

To what extent is it meaningful to

see Paul Keating. Australia's prime minister, as "overseas Irish." or President Bill Clinton as "overseas English"? Nonetheless, in many East Asian societies overseas Chinese are still perceived (or misperceived) as a group whose wealth and economic power is disproportionately large and whose loyalty is suspect.

Overseas Chinese certainly command major economic power, accounting for 80 percent of foreign investment in China. In Indonesia, the world's fourth most populous state. Chinese reportedly control up to 30 percent of the economy. The influence of overseas Chinese is primarily economic. They hope to avoid a political backlash of the kind that occurred in the past in Indonesia and Malaysia where non-Chinese and predominantly Muslim majorities resent the commercial clout of the Chinese.

In Indonesia and Malaysia, local Chinese are content to get on with making money. But they are ever vigilant for signs of a flare-up of anti-Chinese sentiment

Amid debate about the increas-ing power of Greater China, Indonesian and Malaysian Chinese are on edge. Hence the nervousness, especially in Indonesia, about the leaders of Singapore, where Chinese make up some three-quarters of the population, playing an active role in meetings of overseas Chinese such as the recent one in Hong Kong which brought together en-

trepreneurs from around the world. A speech at that meeting by Lee Kuan Yew, Singapore's senior min-ister, was a model of self-effacement on behalf of overseas Chinese. But the very act of attending and speaking upset leading members of Indonesia's Chinese community. Singapore's high profile in the comment to the Herald Tribune.

overseas Chinese world is both nat-ural and risky. Given its small size, it relishes its special role in trade with China and trumpets its teaching of Mandarin. But by making much of its success, it can easily upset partners in the Association of South East Asian Nations and make regional cooperation more difficult. Consequently, Singapore will remain circumspect and nervous about the notion of Greater China.

By far the biggest uncertainty concerns the attitude of Beijing to overseas Chinese. The mainland government seems to believe that it has some vague authority over what it sometimes calls "Chinese compatriots." In truth, whatever influence there is flows increasingly in the opposite direction.

Much as West Germany undermined East Germany just by being there, being rich and engaging with fellow Germans, so overseas Chinese exert a pull on China. In culture, lifestyle, economics and even politics. Chinese on the mainland are learning habits that undermine the authoritarian rule of the Chinese Communist Party.

The process is reinforced by the

presence of overseas Chinese investors, businessmen and visitors, and by mainland students who return from study in the West.

The Chinese are learning that they can be rich, free and still Chinese. North American or Australian Chinese demonstrate that there is no necessary Chinese cultural disposition to authoritarianism. As the overseas Chinese exert this pull on the fabric of China, it is becoming clear to mainland Chinese that there is already more than one

Greater Chinese "unity" may prove to be built on greater diversity. The writer is a senior fellow at the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London and editor of The Pacific Review. He contributed this

Chinese state. If China proves to be

more a culture than a state, then

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1894: Very Old Subject

LONDON — William Hampson, formerly of Salford, who claimed to be the Queen's oldest subject, died on Tuesday [Jan. 9]. His age could never be ascertained with certainty. There was no documentary proof, but the old man maintained that he saw his 115th New Year's Day last Monday week. Hampson used to say that when a boy he heard John Wesley preach. His two sons were killed in the Crimean war and four of his uncles were in the battle of Waterloo.

1919: Immediate Issues

PARIS - On the eve of the preliminary peace conferences, the Allies are at issue on two vital questions on which discussions will be held at the first sessions next week. One is the measures to be taken with the Bolshevists of Russia, the other the lifting of the German blockade, sufficiently to allow the feeding of the people of the eastern provinces.

Both issues call for immediate attention, and until an agreement is reached upon them, such matters as the formation of a League of Nations, the amount of indemnity which Germany must pay, the use of the high seas and kindred questions will be of secondary importance.

1944: Nearing Cassino ALGIERS - [From our New York

edition:] In a two-mile advance through the mountainous terrain of south-central Italy, the 6th Army has driven to within view of Cassino, the heavily defended German stronghold on the road to Rome. Overcoming fierce German resistance northeast of the town, American infantrymen have reached a point from which they can look down into the streets of the communications center. Now no more than four miles from the goal toward which they have been struggling for six days, the Americans passed to the offensive again and captured the peak of Catena Vecchia.

OPINION

This Benign View of Russia Is a Dangerous Delusion

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — "Nothing is more contemptible," Joseph Alsop told me when I took up this line of work, "than a columnist without a Weltanschauung."

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A coherent worldview is tough to come by these days because the main threat to freedom has shifted from militant communism to what John Leo has named "ethnomania," more tribalism than nationalism. It is exploding around Bosnia, the test that NATO is failing, and is advancing in what used to be the Communist bloc.

Does Bill Clinton have a worldview? He may be taking one from the former Time magazine columnist Strobe Tal-

Unlike Clinton, I expect Russia — rich in resources and with an educated work force — to return to superpowerhood and to dominate its neighbors.

bott, translator of Nikita Khrushchev's memoirs, a longtime Friend of Bill gain-ing preeminence in foreign affairs.

Judging from the president's inter-views (with little help from a muddy speech in Milwaukee read for him last week by Vice President Al Gore), the Clinton-Talbott Weitanschammg includes a view of a new Russia whose foreign policy can be shaped benignly by evidence of Western trust.

If we reassure Moscow, goes this view, that it has nothing to fear from the nearness of NATO, then Russia, as it regains its strength, will be less likely to feel the need to reassert control of its former empire. Contrariwise, if we were to seize this moment of Russian weakness to incorporate the newly freed East European nations into the NATO defense, we would only encourage the old paranoia and play into the hands of

resentful Russian revanchists.
This is the diplomental set that produced the Partnership for Peace scheme. To Warsaw, Prague and Budapest, cager to join the West's mutual protection alliance, it says: Maybe, someday. Your security "affects" America's security, but it is not as vital an interest as Germany's or Turkey's. To Russian military leaders. Mr. Clinton's NATO waffle says: Don't get nervous, we only said "maybe" to the buffer states, and made no promise about when

someday would come. someday would come.

I think this seeming compromise is self-deception. That is because I see Russia — resource-rich, with an educated population, no longer hamstrung by collectivist ideology — returning to superpowerhood and, even if demo-

That is why I asked the president, in a recent Sanhedrin of savants, whether anybody in his administration was presenting the opposing view. Was anyone saying that if you do not bring Eastern Europe into NATO now, when Russia is weak, you will never be able to bring it in when Russia is strong and refuses to let it come in? Did anyone near him present the case that he might be making a

great historic blunder?
"No one in the administration has," he admitted, which is dismaying; even Lyndon Johnson had a high-level dis-senter. But Mr. Clinton said he has tried to understand the contrary posi-tion, "and I think my response would be, Bill, that that development would not occur overnight . . . We will have a couple of years to make the judg-ment you just outlined. And it won't be where we'll wake up one morning and it will be too late. I think there will be several mornings when we'll have the chance to take a different course."

That easy out was challenged by the columnist Richard Cohen: "But isn't it likely that, at that time, the same arguments will be raised, that you will only encourage Russian paranoia, that you will push them over the edge, and you will be in the same box?"

"Whenever you make a new start," Mr. Clinton responded, "... you always have these judgment calls, and in the end only history can render a ver-dict . . . ls it a risk?

"Of course it is, in the sense that any change you make like this is a risk. I believe the risk is smaller with the course we are taking than it would be if we tried to push to immediate

embership ..."
That is a false choice; a less risky alternative would be earned membership with published criteria and a reasonable timetable. The president, who sees himself as

"a force for optimism," later sketched his vision of tomorrow's Russia:
"I believe if they continue as a democratic, market-oriented, reformist, noninterventionist nation, they will

become in a more traditional sense, then, a very great nation, not an empire ... Their whole history and character and texture of Russia nes for that." think Russia's whole history character and texture argue for

the opposite. That is what makes The New York Times.

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Before the Mythical Cures By David Spiegel

Put Care and Compassion

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S TANFORD, California — The Unit-ed States does not have a health care

system: it has a disease cure system. The public believes and many doctors behave as if most illnesses were curable. Americans think of the body as if it were a machine with replaceable parts: Defects can be identified, removed and replaced through treatments such as or-

MEANWHILE

gan transplants, drugs and gene therapy. This is rarely the case. The expectation of cure has led to an

explosion of invasive, expensive and often risky interventions that have at best marginal effects on survival. There has been too much focus on diseases and too little on the people who

intellectuals seem to be leading the

charge. Those who have so rightly plumed themselves as the inheritors of

both the Enlightenment and the Great

Revolution should be working for popu-

lar universal culture, trying to give it depth and breadth. But then, modern France is built on the bloody suppression

of a popular uprising in 1871. Éveryman

is not necessarily what Rousseau said he

is, but history only explains the paradox,

Wronging the Real Right

Such words as "conservative," "right-

ten used interchangeably in your pages,

as if each of those groups was a variation

of the same philosophy. I noticed two examples of this in your Dec. 6 edition. A Page 1 article, "Ex-Communists Tri-umph in Italy," refers 10 "neofascists

and other conservatives," indicating an

identity between the groups. A Page 2 item, in the World Briefs section, is titled "Rightist Youths Riot in Germa-

ny." The information in the article indi-

cates that these youths might more accu-

marauding gang of thugs.

"neo-Nazi" and "skinhead" are of-

PAUL SONIDAN.

it doesn't excuse dishonesty.

have the diseases. Most Americans die of chronic and progressive illnesses: heart disease, stroke and cancer. Cure is the exception, not the rule. Compassionate care should help people live with

illness by relieving suffering, managing symptoms and coping with the uncertainty and fear. Several recent studies — of metastatic breast cancer patients, lymphoma and malignant melanoma pauents, and patients recovering from heart attacks — have shown that participating in support groups not only improves peopie's mood and coping skills but may help them live longer. Unfortunately, many inexpensive group interventions are not part of standard treatment. They are offered as adjuncts to medical care. They are not reimbursed by insurance plans although they cost a small fraction of fully covered invasive procedures.

Moreover, many of these procedures produce only marginally greater bene-lits than the risks they incur.

Insurance companies pay huge bills for in-patient and surgical procedures regardless of efficacy, whereas little or nothing is paid for time spent helping

patients to cope with illness.

Mental health benefits have been sineled out for benefit caps in the Clinton health plan. This ignores the complex interaction of mind and body that we are beginning now to understand.

Humane care costs less than high-tech care and is what patients want and need: Americans spent \$12 billion last year out of pocket on alternative medical care.

Depression is three times as common among medical in-patients and twice as common among medical out-patients as in the general population.

Depression and anxiety, in turn, make medically ill people heavier users of medical services. A study in Canada demonstrated that the least well-adjusted medically ill patients cost the health care system 75 percent more than do the best adjusted ones, largely through unnecessary primary care visits, hospital days and laboratory services.

Stress-related symptoms account for about 69 percent of all primary care visits. If comprehensive supportive health services can be provided, costs will fall

and care will improve dramatically. Surgical and other medical procedures have made an enormous difference in people's lives. But the American health care system overvalues procedures at the expense of old-fashioned medical compassion and concern.

Medicine's oldest adage is "to cure rarely, to relieve suffering often and to comfort always." In this century, we have twisted that job description. We need more compassion and counseling and less cutting and testing. The myth of cure is costly in human and financial terms; the price of dashed hopes is high. With a focus on care, many individuals with serious diseases can lead longer, happier and more productive lives.

The writer, a professor of psychiatry at Stanford University School of Medicine, is author of "Living Beyond Limits," about coping with serious illness. He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Let Europe See to Bosnia

Regarding the report "France Presses the U.S. to Intervene in Bosnia" (Jan. 6): Is it not incredible that France and other West European countries should press the United States to intervene militarily in Bosnia? If a Europe of 350 million people, which manufactures some of the most sophisticated military equipment in the world, has neither the will nor the guts to end this local war, why should the United States (and Canada) do the job? As a Canadian, I say, let the Europeans solve their problems, and let North Americans attend to their own perous problems at home.

GERALD R. HASTINGS.

An In-Between Alliance

Russia, for historical reasons, feels uncomfortable having a large Western military bloc too close to its frontiers. But for the small states, old and new, that have just been freed from Russia's unwelcome embrace, the possible resurence of Russian ultranationalism is

gence of Russian infranahonaism is nerve-wracking too. What can be done? Perhaps a solution might be found in the forming of a third bloc between Russia and NATO. This would com-prise Estonia, Larvia. Lithuania. Be-larus, Ulraine, Poland, the Czech Republic. Slovakia, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria. They would form a defen-sive alliance, and enter into nonaggression pacts with their neighbors, east and west. With more than 135 million inhabitants and a broad economic base, this would be a bloc that Russia would be loath to consider invading. This new

the idea of moving toward a common market, providing fledgling economies

with a decent-sized market. The nonaggression pact with NATO would engage each in mutual defense if Russia attacked. The pact with Russia would commit each to react to an attack by any NATO member country. Security would thus be improved without antagonizing either of the powerful neighbors. Nervous Russian geopoliticians and military planners should, indeed, be pleased to have this grouping as a buffer and an ally.

FREDERICK STARR WILDMAN. Colebrook, Connecticut.

Hypocrisy All Around

Regarding the Other Comment item "More Hypocrisy on Bosnia," (Opinion, Jan. 4) from New Straits Times:

Everything that the New Straits Times of Kuala Lumpur says about Western hypocrisy in Bosnia is true. The Western performance in ex-Yngoslavia has been disgraceful. But this commentary fails to mention the promises of the Islamic countries to come to the assistance of their fellow Muslims in Bosnia. There were mighty pronouncements of aid, which encouraged some of us in the Western world, but they never material-ized. What happened?

K. W. EMERSON.

Everyman's Culture

Regarding "Global Culture: The Paradox of U.S. Dominance" (Opinion, Jan. 5 and 6) by David Rieff:

Mr. Rieff wonders at the paradox of

clothes he can't afford or doesn't like; rately have been described as a everybody is equal. All this is not only a welcome escape from daily life, but a welcome expression of Everyman's per-

snobs, religious fanatics, aged Chinese Communists, sour ultranationalists and self-interested cultural elites should take up arms against so-called American pop-

American economic decline. But just as an outdated conception of national

economy masks the reality of the global

economy, a narrow fascination with the

made-in-America label on cultural

products masks the reality of the univer-

sal popular values and aspirations upon

Just as Everyman buys Japanese cars

because they best express universal value

attached to superior workmanship at a

reasonable price, he admires American

popular culture because it best embodies

the universal popular values of liberty and equality. Everyman puts up with the provincialism of the made-in-America

image for the same reason that the world

puts up with the outmoded language and

mores of Shakespeare: because the sub-

stance is so much more than the image.

in a Clint Eastwood film is always

about Everyman's earnest dignity in the

face of life s absurdity, elite dishonesty

and plain human meanness. Whether

Everyman actually likes hamburgers or

not, at McDonald's it is neat and clean

and rich-looking; everything works; Ev-

eryman's snot-nosed, squalling brats are welcome, and he doesn't have to dress in

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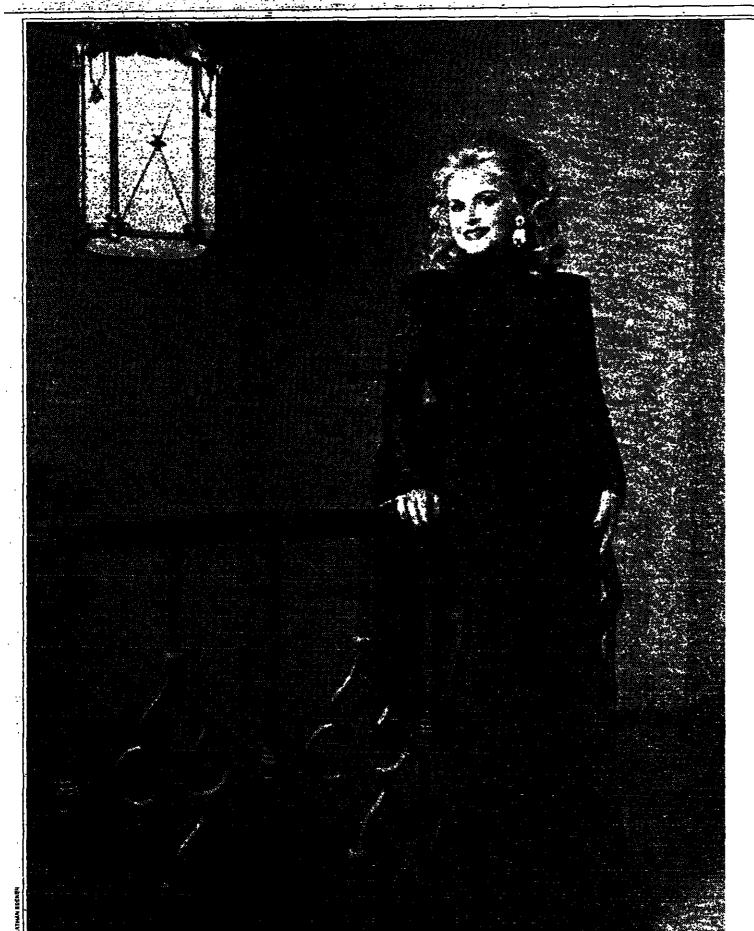
which the modern world is built.

dominated, class-ridden, often deliberately impoverished society.

While it is not surprising that incurable

Such careless usage results in the taint-ing of words that once had a positive meaning. Groups that hold reprehensible views and commit hemous acts are equated with people of completely different political views. Ultimately, Margaret Thatcher, Ronald Reagan, racist street gangs and Adolf Hitler become proponents of the same ideology.

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Menswear: Americans in Milan

By Suzy Menkes International Herald Tribune

ILAN -Picture the scene on the Via della Spiga. A dashing young man cuts a bella figura in his American designer suit. Ameri-

This is the season that big names from the United States are riding into Armani country. Oscar de la Renta debuts his men's designer collection in Milan on Wednesday. Donna Karan stages a fashion spectacular Thursday at Florence's Pitti Immagini Uomo show that Iollows the Milan collections.

In the 1980s, no self-respecting yuppie would be seen in his suspenders without an Italian-label jacket draped over his chair. Now, for the new annum winter season. American designers are pitching for Wall Street clients, while Milan designers are in flight from city slick. Gianni Versace left sharp suits behind and showed winkled fabrics and sweet-as-candy colors in his should be suited. colors in his show Monday.

It isn't quite T-bone steaks taking over from spaghetti. Most of Karan's and de la Renta's clothes are made in Italy—part of a strategy to bring their labels to Europe at acceptable

prices.

"We have an army of wonderful people in Italy," says de la Renta, who is making a flying visit to Milan before returning to Paris to present his couture show for Balmain.

As la Renta Pour Homme will be

Oscar de la Renta Pour Homme will be launched with a boutique at Saks Fifth Avenue

Donna Karan's aim is to "bring a little piece of New York" to Florence. When models on roller blades wheel down the runway against a backdrop of the Brooklyn Bridge ending in Milan's Duomo, the andience should get the message that this is menswear - American

style.

It is the first time that Karan has shown outside the United States, and the menswear director, Linda Beauchamp, in Milan preparing the event, says that it is meant to show "what Donna is all about."

"We've made comfortable clothes that look very traditional," she says, meaning that the clothes have an easy, sporty American style but are often crafted in Italy. The show will include the DKNY (Donna Karan New York) lower-priced line of rough wear and sports clothes. The menswear line, inaugurated in 1991, is now

the American invasion? "I think it's normal - I don't believe in

fashion wearing a flag, there is just good and drops of water put under a microscope and bad fashion," said Versace as he inveiled three photoprinted. different lines in a lofty space created by glass-ing in the courtyard of his palazzo. But the irony is that while the American

designers are going for broke with all-Italian luxury, Versace himself is destroying the myth. He showed unstructured suits in the finest cashmere, with matching sweaters made from the same yarn — but all deliberately aged and wrinkled. The clothes, and especially the pants,

were on the baggy side.

"My new mood is to wash out everything," he said. "We are at the end of the century, it's

U.S. designers are pitching for Wall Street clients, while Italians are in flight from city slick.

farewell to classics, everything is easy, I want a

sense of future and space."

Nestling among the deluxe ruins of the sharp suit were clothes with a country twist: outfits in loden or tweed fabrics. Versus, an experimental young line, was a wild bonch of animal prints with swishing long coats and a sense of lonche

Krizia's show had a decadent feel - not in the rugged textured knits, which were the finest part of the collection, but in the rich-hippie velvets and long dandy jackets worn with cuffed pants. Krizia's tailoring references were to the 1960s and '70s — a fashion era that has already been warmed over. Much fresher were the long coats with a gamekeeper feeling and the knits in patchworks and patterns, for vast sweaters or chunky vests. Here as elsewhere, corduroy is making a strong comeback.

"In Italy times are very tough, it will take time and I don't see much hope in the short-term," says Krizia's Aldo Pinto. Milan's once sleek and prosperous men's

fashion industry seems to be reflecting Italy's political and social upheaval. Franco Moschino

in its third full season after being introduced exclusively at Barneys in New York.

What do the maestros of Milano think about the maestros of Milano think they look like a woven rng. Patterns are of flora and farma - seaweed fronds, stamens and

"Nature is the only fashion trend to believe in," says Moschino to explain his eco-friendly

Anthony Tarassi expresses well the new toughing-it-out Italian look. His collection of sportswear pieces, including soft leather with a rough finish and knitwear inspired by medieval armor, is luxury with a rugged face. The base is in an easy fit with shirts and jackets both hanging loose, unstructured at the shoulders, and in subtle bird's-eye tweeds and textured velvet or plaid. The colors are Milan's favorite warm browns cooled with watery green.

Fabio Inghirami Studi took a basic suit, with slightly baggy pants and square vest, then showed it in winter-weight cotton alongside traditional tweed. And there was a pinch of spice from around the world — a shawl from Ukraine, a hat from Hasidic Jews, a knit from

Mongolia. Everything was shaken up by layering jackets, vests and big shirts.

Luciano Soprani had left behind the urban gray stone of Milan and gone to the country for inspiration: knits as bumpy as furrowed fields, while contract lived and hyperions plaid nubby catmeal tweeds and huxurious plaid trapper shirts. The flannel shirt as soft and big as a shepherd's smock was part of a peasant look that ran wild when fringed scarves were tied round the hips.

Iceberg's collection had a merry feel to its Batman and Snoopy motif sweaters shown in a setting like a downtown gallery opening British designer Paul Mochrie imposed neat themes: "gamekeeper" for hairy tweeds; "The Sting" for square vests with easy pants and a 1930s flavor, "Batman" for midnight-blue velvets. It added up to sportswear with a sense of humor and fabric research from the oiled Black Watch tartan waterproofs to printed corduroy.

The first message from the Milan season, which Giorgio Armani closes Wednesday, is of designers in flight from irban classicism. The very long jacket and the very short coat (both stopping at mid-thigh) are strong stories. There is also the long military or gamekeeper coat and a surge of rugged knitwear. And if you buy one thing next winter, it will have to be a pair of

Day for Night for a New Generation

ARIS - From a basic Mao jacket to swanky Avenne Montaigne is a mighty fashion leap. But Michel Klein has made it. The ready-towear designer famous for making a Chineseinspired jacket the hot seller in a mail-order catalogue takes over this season at Guy Lar-oche haute couture. He will show his first collection on Jan. 18.

Klein, 36, aims to work in the grand tradi-

when, 50, attished work in the generation.

"I am sure there are clients for countre, but we need to de-dramatize it," he says. "All the ceremonial can be frightening. It should be more human, less aggressive. Clients mustn't he interdeted. be intimidated.

"It has to be luxurious - but not too rich. You have to respect the spirit of haute couture and the way of making the clothes. But it is démodé to do things that are not made to be wom."

That is the reason, says Klein, that he is mg on day rather than ever clothes. He has avoided beavy fabrics, trying to give a feeling of lightness and modernity by day. For evening there are draped crepes, flat fabrics and airy effects with satin organiza. "When you have rigor by day, you need

poetry at night," he says. He designed the day wear without choosing fabrics; for evening, the materials were his inspiration. For both, he started by writing a story about what he wanted to see, creating an imagined blestyle and series of events. The idea is to give a strong image with the day clothes and magic at night to the house, whose founder, Guy Laroche, died in 1989.

The label is exceptionally strong in Asia, hiding China, but Laroche needs to define its fashion image for the 1990s. As with other couture houses that have brought in new talent, Klein will continue to design for his own label, set up in 1981.

Klein has worked with modern, stretch, easy-fit fabrics. In conture he can indulge his longtime wish to cut dresses on the bias à la

There is such a rapport between the cou-turier and the fabric that just does not exist in ready-to-wear," he says. "The fabric comes alive. In pret-a-porter it is the fabric which mates. Couture is like sculpture. And part of the myth is using an iron as a sculptor yet as discreet as the wealthy now desire, uses a palette knife."

Klein savs that today's customers are also

The Paris couture season, which opens Saturday, inaugurates the purpose-built fashion complex at the Louvre. But Laroche will show more traditionally at the Ritz Hotel — because "the clothes must be seen close-up," Klein says, and you "cannot do a change of style and place that does not correspond to the intimacy

of countrie, which should be like a rendezvous. The conundrum of conture in these politically correct times is that it has to be exciting enough to create an image for the house -



Michel Klein, taking over at Laroche, wants to "de-dramatize couture."

Klein says that today's customers are also demanding of their time: "People are busy, they are not ready to wait a month or six eks. I'm not even sure that they want three fittings — even if it is better made. They get up in the morning and say "I want a navy suit."

In his ready-to-wear collections Klein is known for his use of basic color - not, he says, because he avoids color, but because he lieves that it must be done in fine materials.

"I love color!" be explains, citing his vividly decorated vacation home in Provence. "The problem is using color in clothes. So often it wipes out the personality."

For the conture he has chosen pavy, white and red, but also "Oriental colors," mixes of brown, sand and gold, and blue-mauve chif-

"People keep saying that countre is dead and that it is no longer the point of departure for fashion," he says. "But it is there to make

Suzy Menkes



Top, de la Renta's cashmere coat with bird's-eye tweed

jacket; inset, Versace's tweed pea jacket with leather

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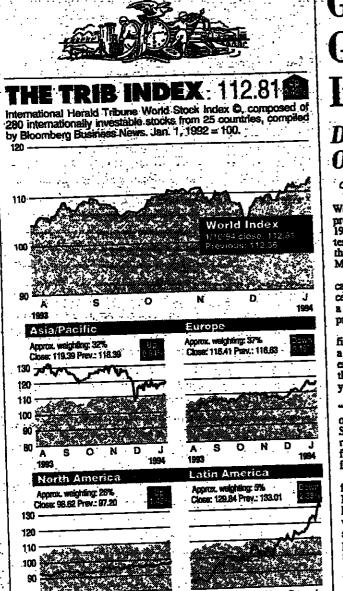






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German GDP Off In 1993

Drop Feeds Fears Of a Double Dip

WIESBADEN, Germany —
Western Germany's gross domestic
product shrank by 1.9 percent in
1993 in inflation-adjusted terms after growing by 1.6 percent in 1992,
the Federal Statistics Office said

Eastern Germany's fledgling capitalist economy grew by 6.3 per-cent while the German economy as a whole saw its gross domestic product fall by 1.3 percent.

Economists said the preliminary figures for 1993 confirmed fears of "double-dip" recession in Westem Germany that may extend through the first quarter of this

The figure for Western Germany "corresponds pretty precisely to our expectations," said Holger Schmieding, an economist at Mer-rill Lynch Bank AG. "We see our fears of a double-dip recession con-

West German figures for the fourth quarter were not released on Monday but are scheduled for publication on Tuesday. Economists widely think that they will show a slight decline, of 0.3 percent to 0.5 percent, in the wake of gains in the

second and third quarter.

The German Institute for Economic Research, an independent think tank, last week challenged the view that two quarters of growth

had marked a turning point.

The statistics office had been planning to release the figures for 1993 on Tuesday but issued them after the data were leaked to a German financial news agency. The data are provisional, and more details will be given on Tuesday.

Separately, the country's union for civil servants, the Deutscher Beamtenbund, has asked for 4 per-cent more pay in 1994 for West Germany's 1.84 million civil servants. The union said it also wanted the salaries of Eastern Germany's 80,000 civil servants brought more into line with pay in Western

(Reuter, Bloomberg)

Shot Across Ferry's Bow Chunnel Ticket Sales Test the Waters

By Erik Ipsen

International Herald Tribune

LONDON — In the last three years English Channel ferry operators have spent nearly 21 hil-lion (\$1.49 billion) upgrading their services. Begin-ning on Wednesday they will get their first reading on whether it has all been for naught.

That is when tickets go on sale for the first land crossing of the English Channel since the Ice Ages
— Eurotunnel PLC's Le Shuttle service. The service. scheduled to start May 7, will carry 180 cars and their occupants from Folkestone to Calais in only 35 minutes, less than half the time the ferries take.

By 1996, Le Shuttle expects to have captured half the cross-channel tourist traffic and a quarter of the freight, with trains leaving every 15 minutes from either side at peak times.

The service will likely be overseen by Georges-The service will likely be overseen by Georgian Christian Chazot, the 54-year-old president of the French employment agency Adia, who according to news reports Monday, has been selected to replace Six Alastair Morton as chief executive of the control of the con Eurotunnel. Eurotunnel executives would not confirm the reports.

Round-trip Eurotunnel tickets are expected to cost between £160 and £260, for a car and however many passengers can be squeezed into it. Prices are to be announced Tuesday.

The through-rail, Eurostar service, which will take passengers without cars direct from London to Paris in three hours, and to Brussels in three hours 15 minutes, does not yet have a start-up date less vague than "sometime this summer." The passenger trains, each holding nearly 800 people, will compete with airlines.

For now, the battle between boats and trains remains all words. A spokesman for P&O Ferries, which along with Stena Sealink does the bulk of the business on the Dover to Calais route, decried Le Shuttle as being like a long subway ride. He said

that the only amenities on offer are "a lavatory and

a light bulb." In fact, Le Shuttle will have only one toilet in every third rail carriage and will offer passengers a choice between remaining in their car or standing next to it; there will be no seats. And while each carriage will have five windows, a Eurotunnel spokeswoman conceded that their purpose is strictly "psychological." in the 31 miles (50 kilometers) of tunnel.

In contrast, Stena's Brian Rees lauded his line's

four new super ferries, replete with shopping

A ferry executive decried Le Shuttle as being like a long subway ride, with "a lavatory and a light bulb" as the only amenities on offer.

malls, restaurants and kiddie play areas, not to mention space for 630 cars and 1,800 passengers. "We used the same interior designer who designed the Windows on the World restaurant in New York," he crowed.

Both Stena and P&O have special restaurants for truckers, catering to hearty appetites and fea-turing menus long on fried foods and coffee. Nonetheless, the advantages in the battle between trains and boats belong mostly to Eurotunnel. Le Shuttle promises to get you off the road on one side of the channel and back on it at the far side in 60 minutes. That is a performance that only Hoverspeed's aging fleet of four hovercraft boats can match. The hovercraft have a capacity of only

55 cars each. The best the conventional ferries can promise is a total highway-to-highway trip of just over 100 See CHUNNEL, Page 15

Rexrodt Supports Plan to Rescue Metallgesellschaft

Minister Günter Rexrodt on Mon- in the case. Metallgesellschaft reday threw his weight behind a res-

on international metals markets.

It was the first time a German banks to accept the deal." on international metals markets.

the company since it disclosed the had not formally decided whether extent of its financial problems last it would agree to the terms yet, but week and amounced the 3.2 billion he added: "We hope we will be able Deutsche mark (\$1.84 billion) resto get it through."

Mr. Zinn refused to comment on
Mr. Zinn refused to comment on cue deal to ensure its existence.

restore confidence in Metallgesellscompanies, if banks agreed to approve the rescue package. With this, the confidence in the future of MG can be restored," he said.

from oil trading in the United States and said there could be additional losses of as much as 1.5 billion DM.

AG, which is owed 539 million DM. It is seeking loans and a capital injection valued at 3.2 billion DM from creditors and shareholders.

Schimmelbusch, who was removed

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Mr. Rexrodt said a rapid reorga-support for the rescue package. mization of the company — which Eberhard Zinn, a board member at faces bankruptcy if a rescue is not approved by Wednesday — would help protect jobs and reduce tension age. It would certainly lie in the

minister had spoken in support of He said Bayerische Landesbank

Mr. Rexrodt said it would help to how many of the company's creditor banks would have to approve the restore confidence in Metalligeseus-chaft, one of Germany's largest package for Metalligesellschaft's capital requirements to be reached, but he said the bulk of creditors would probably have to vote for it.

Banking sources say Bayerische Landesbank is owed 380 million Metallgesellschaft last week announced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company, making it Menounced a loss of 1.8 billion DM for DM by the company it makes t Martin Kohlhaussen, Commerz-

bank's chairman, said he thought rom creditors and shareholders.

Two former executives — Heinz plan is acceptable but his bank would wait for other creditor banks last month as management board consent to the plan before giving its chairman, and Meinhard Forster, own agreement. (Reuters, AFX)

Gillette to Cut 2,000 Jobs in Bid to Restructure ities abroad in past years, was re-

BOSTON — Gillette Co., a major U.S. maker of consumer goods, said Monday it would eliminate business units and factories.

force, over the next two years in a restructuring which will mostly involve its operations outside the records for the fourth quarter and

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches cents a share, against fourth-quar-

The company also announced for the entire year. The company But it said it would also add said it would report the figures for ouncer jobs and man the work force at the end of this year would be unchanged at about 34,000 people. The company's stock Exchange trading to \$59,625.

The company's stock rose \$1.125 he said. "I can also state there are no plans to sell any product lines." In New York Stock Exchange trading to \$59,625.

Alfred M. Zeien, chairman and a charge of \$164 million, or 74 other jobs and that the work force at the end of this year would be

The company's stock rose \$1.125

chief executive, said Gillette was not cutting back or reducing overto compete more effectively in a global arena." He did not say what divisions would be affected.

The only thing I can say from a geographical standpoint is that the United States will be impacted much less than any other country,"

all operations, but "adjusting how it is organized and how it operates toward facilities that could serve broader geographic markets. Mr. Zeien said that in 1993 the company's ventures in China, Po- 1995.

land and Russia had exceeded their start-up period targets. He also said that the company would increase spending on capital

and development.

He said that the board approved

sponding to increasing globaliza-tion of the economy with a move trend to more open world trade." He said Gillette expected "sig-nificant ongoing operating efficien-cies" which will begin to be felt in

Tony Vento, an analyst at Edward D. Jones & Co., approved the moves by Gillette, noting that makers of consumer products find it difficult to raise prices in an era of low inflation. "Any cost-cutting in this environment is good," he said.

(AFP, Bloomberg, AP, AFX)

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By Reginald Dale

ARIS — The French are still gloating over their "defeat" of the United States by dint of dazzing Gallic brinkmanship at the end of the world trade talks last month.

But while France's negotiating triumph may serve the political purposes of Prime Minister Edouard Balladur, for France's real long-term interests it is a Pyrrhic victory. And will damage the rest of Europe, too. What Mr. Balladur and others are now

celebrating is another success for France's deep-rooted protectionist philosophy—the persistence of which casts grave doubt on the country's readiness to meet the economic challenges of the 21st century. challenges of the 21st century.

The concessions Mr. Balladur exterted from Washington for France's subsidized farmers and filmmakers turned out in the end to be more important as political symbols than in substance. Certainly in the farmers case France got only a fraction of what it

originally wanted.

But the real problem is that Mr. Balladur's But the real problem is that Mr. Balladur's spectacular fight for two groups that need help to stand up to world competition, however popular it may be, sends just the wrong message to French public opinion.

Mr. Balladur is implying that France can somehow outwit global market forces by protecting its programment true sectors. He is focused.

tecting its uncompetitive sectors. He is fostering the comforting delusion that French living standards can be maintained, and the lavish welfare state preserved, by tinkering with the miles of international trade.

As with his cave-in to the Air France strikers last October, Mr. Balladur is showing that his priorities are to look after groups of workers who make a fuss, reither than French consum-

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In fact, of course, the concessions France won on agriculture are not going to stop the now irreversible momentum of farm policy reform in the European Union, And the setback to Washington's attempts to have its way with the French movie market will not be enough to shield France from the new 500-

France's deep-rooted protectionist philosophy casts grave doubt on the country's readiness to meet the economic challenges of the 21st century.

channel technologies that are about to overwhelm European television.

Most senior French officials know all this full well. They also know that the French, like everyone else, must change to confront the global market. But Mr. Balladur as yet shows no sign that he is ready to share that knowledge with the French electionate.

Rather than prepare the ground for change, he is leading the country smartly in the opposite direction, even going so far as to suggest in a recent interview—to widespread astonishment—that civilization means struggling against market forces.

It does not take a genius to see that the further France heads down this blind alley, the harder it will ultimately be to implement

ers, who do not, and to prop up inefficient sectors rather than restructive them.

In fact, of course, the concessions France

the painful policies needed to bring the country into the next century.

Unfortunately, it is not just France that is affected. By insisting that the European Union strengthen its defenses against cheap imports as part of the price of its agreement to the final deal under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, France has pushed the whole Union further in the protectionist direction.

The most likely immediate victim is Eastem Europe, whose competitive export potential gives France the shivers. The result is that as NATO leaders this

week discuss how to incorporate the emerging East European democracies into the Western security system, France has ensured that their economic integration into the Union will probably be more difficult.

At the same time, by bludgeoning his EU partners into accepting French demands, Mr. Balladur has set a rotten precedent for decision-making in the new, supposedly more unified, post-Maastricht Europe.

Naturally, France's partners are relieved that a serious confrontation has been averted. But their celebrations of a new dawn of

European unity are misplaced.

It is not unity when the Union yields to blackmail by one of its members. France created the disunity in the first place, and kept on until it had bent Germany to its will

by threatening a European crists.
Of course, it is better for the GATT round to have succeeded with concessions to France than for it to have failed without them. That was what gave the French such leverage.
But it would be much, much better, for
France and everyone else, if Mr. Balladur had used the Uruguay Round to start dispelling his country's long-standing protectionist illusions, rather than reinforce them.

Italy to Sell 33% of IMI On Market

Compiled by Our Staff From Despatche ROME - About 33 percent of the shares in the stateowned banking company are to be sold to investors in Italy. Europe and the United States, Treasury Minister Piero Bar-ucci said on Monday.

The sale, which begins at the end of the month, could raise up to 2.2 trillion lire (\$1.29 bilhon) to pay off Italy's huge debts and make IMI, istituto Mobiliare Italiano, the first Italian bank stock quoted on the New York Stock Exchange.

Under the complex privatization plan, the Treasury is selling 200 million shares to individuals but also large institutional investors. Italians will be offered 75

million shares. Foreign and domestic institutional investors will be sold around 90 million, 5 million will be reserved for employees and about 35 million for U.S. investors.

Separately, the state-controlled industrial company Finneccanica SpA said it took in a net 232 billion lire (\$135 million) from the sale of stakes in subsidiaries Ansaldo Transporti SpA, Union Switch & Signal Inc. and Elsag Bailey Process Automation Inc. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

California's World Wines Value of State's Exports is Growing

By Lawrence Malkin

International Herald Tribune
As American agricultural negotiators hustled in and out of the climactic trade talks in Geneva, a persuasive man stood there reminding them that California is a growing wine exporter and — don't forget — the state voted Democratic in the last U.S. presidential election. James Clawson, lobbyist for the California Wine

Institute, did better than Hollywood's moviemakers and came away from last month's negotiations with tariff reductions in most countries where American wine is now big business. Despite the recessions in Europe and Japan, which restrained shipments, the institute projected the value of U.S. wine exports to 90 countries to have increased by about \$10 million in 1993, to \$185 million.

The gain in revenue even as volume falls is an indication of the progress of California wines in moving upmarket, and that is the result of a strong export campaign. The state steadily increased export volume by about 5 million gallons (22 million liters) a year up to 1992, when 37 million gallons were sold abroad; that is perhaps a million gallons more than are believed to have been shipped last year. Bulk wines, mainly destined for Japan and government wine stores in Canada and Sweden, make up only 28 percent of the latest total.

The great noses of Europe may be forgiven for forgetting that the United States is the world's fourth-largest producer and seventh-largest exporter of wine, and that 90 percent comes from California. But they would easily recognize why American vintners had to turn to the export market: overproduction, just as in Europe. Expansion during the 1980s left California vint-

ners with a huge inventory during the recent recession, so they turned abroad. A weak dollar and a \$14 million promotion program paid for by the U.S.

Department of Agriculture helped, although there are no growing subsidies in California as in Europe.

California vintuers concentrate on a full range of blended grape varietals instead of Europe's regional wines, partly because the state's steady climate makes for predictable annual quality. California is fruitier than most European wines because by American law sugar must come from the grape and cannot be added to boost the alcohol level.

Tough quality standards are enforced by gov ernment inspectors. Last month, an elderly and bankrupt vintner began serving an 18-month pris-on sentence for labeling plonk as zinfandel, Cali-fornia's native grape. (Who served hard time after similar scandals in Bordeaux and Italy?)

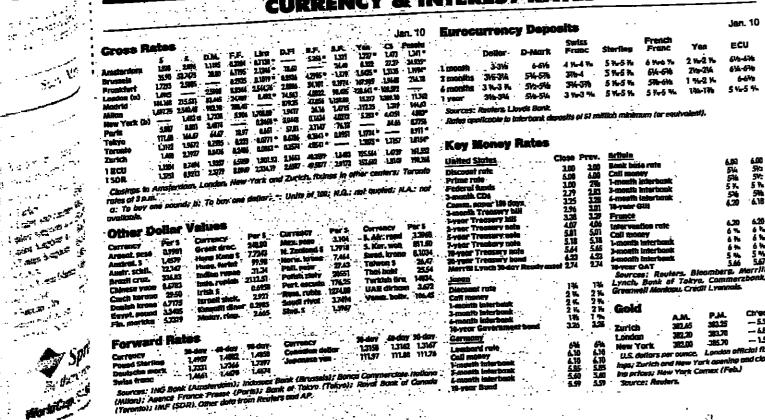
"People are used of spending \$50 a bottle for wine, as they did in the '80s, and wondering whether 1981 was a good year," said Steve Burns, international marketing manager for the California Wine Institute. "We offer dependable quality at good prices: You know what you get, and that's

what people want now." As with so many other products, Japan is California wine's toughest market because of a diaboliformia wine's toughest market pecause of a madour-cal tariff structure. The Japanese do not even try to compete with top-quality wines, so an expensive French grand cru attracts a 21 percent tariff, which is essentially a luxury tax. But California table wine in the bottle gets socked with an average tariff of 67 percent. California vintners ship 40 percent of their wine in bulk to Japan to pay lower tariffs. That is exactly what Japanese winegrowers want, because the law allows them to label the

California product as Japanese if they top it up with only 5 percent of their local brew. The Japanese thus cash in on the marketing profits while California gets reduced to the status of a raw

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CURRENCY & INTEREST RATES



Paramount Chief's Role Diminishing

By Geraldine Fabrikant

New York Times Service NEW YORK - The man who first agreed to the sale of Paramount Communications Inc. may

soon find himself out of a job. The chairman of Paramount, Martin S. Davis, who forged an alliance with Viacom Inc. in part to insure his future role at the merged company, might not remain at Paramount even if his former ally, Summer Redstone, the chairman of Viacom, wins its battle with QVC Network Inc. to acquire Paramount

Initially, Mr. Redstone agreed that Mr. Davis, 66, would remain as chief executive of the merged company. But after Viacom and Blockbuster Entertainment Corp. on Friday announced their plan to merge and to make a new bid for Paramount, Mr. Redstone had no role designated for Mr. Davis in the

new company. Under the new plan, Mr. Redstone was to become chairman of a merged Paramount-Viacom-Blockbuster, and Blockbuster's chair-

QVC Extends Bid to Jan. 21

NEW YORK -QVC Network Inc. on Monday extended its offer for control of Paramount Communications Inc. for two weeks, prolonging its four-month-old battle with Viacom Inc. until Jan. 21. QVC made the announcement before the stock market opened Monday after Viacom's announcement of a revised bid late Friday. Viacom, the owner of MTV and other cable television channels, said in

making its new offer that it also would expire Jan. 21. On Monday, Viacom Class A stock fell \$4.875, to \$41.875, on the American Stock Exchange, QVC tumbled \$1.50, to \$39.25, in over-thecounter trading, and Paramount declined \$1.875 a share, to \$77.375, on the New York Stock Exchange.

man, H. Wayne Huizenga, would

become vice chairman. But during a stormy conference call with Wall Street analysis, Mr. Redstone said his chief executive, Frank Biondi Jr., would be the new

chief executive. "We haven't really discussed the possibility of any role," one analyst recalled Mr. Redstone saying of Mr. Davis. "There might be one for

Mr. Biondi would be chief executive of Viacom's merged company, whether it succeeds in buying Para-

mount or not. The analyst said Mr. Redstone reported having had a pleasant chat with Mr. Davis and saying the Paramount chairman had been happy with the new bid. But a person close to Mr. Davis said he had

been upset. A spokesman for Mr. Davis said

later, however, that Mr. Davis was not concerned about his continuing role. The spokesman added that no matter who wins the takeover battle, Mr. Davis's objectives will be to get the best value for Paramount shareholders and to ensure that the winner can operate the company competently.

Viacom now is offering \$105 in cash for 50.1 percent of Paramount, and QVC has bid \$92 a share for 51 percent. Each is offering the balance in stock.

David Londoner, who follows Paramount for Wertheim Schroeder & Co., said in comparing the bids: "If Viacom merges with Blockbuster, you are getting a lot of Viacom stock, which reflects assets that, long term, work less well in the new media environment

"If you believe that media mergers today are based on preparing for the information superhighway," he added, "Viacom's purchase of Blockbuster drags Viacom off the main road, making the longterm value of QVC's stock more High Low Prev. Clas

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Dow Soars 45 Points The Dow Daily closings of the Dow Jones industrial average As Optimism Grows

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — U.S. stocks surged Monday, with shares of auto, telephone and software companies setting the pace, amid broad optimism about the economy and

corporate earnings.
The Dow Jones industrial average set a sixth consecutive record, rising 44.74 points, to close at 3,865.51. It has risen a total of 111.42 points in the last six ses-

Gainers outnumbered losers by a

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4-to-3 ratio on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume totaled 317.6 million shares, down from 323.38 million on Friday.

The stock market was underpinned by stability in bonds. Investors apparently were confident that interest rates are not soon headed higher. The yield on the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond inched up to 6.24 percent from 6.23 percent on Friday.
"Inflation just doesn't seem to be

a problem, and that means we can see some fairly decent economic growth and earnings growth with-out overheating the economy," said Gene Grandone, an investment counselor at Northern Investment Counselors in Chicago.

that the economic outlook is good." said Peter Canelo, chief investment strategist at NatWest Securities. Dealers said the market had been underpinned in particular by a se-

ries of indicators last week on job

growth, car sales and factory or-ders, which encouraged investors to buy stocks of companies that are sensitive to economic cycles.

Blockbuster Entertainment was the most-active New York Stock Exchange issue, falling % to 28. Paramount was down 1% to 77%. Viacom was off 41/4 to 41/4, and QVC dropped 11/2 to 39%. The falls among the players in the Paramount takeover battle came after Viacom raised the cash portion of its offer to \$105 a share for 50.1 percent of Paramount in an attempt to outbid QVC. It also agreed to merge with Blockbuster. which is helping finance its bid.

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Teléfonos de Mexico was No. : among the actives, down 1 % at 65 %. Its shares fell on reports the Mexican government plans to sell in coming weeks its remaining 4.6 percent stake in Telmex. Dealers warned that weekend violence in Mexico, including three car bombs in Mexi-co City, may affect the American depositary receipts of Mexican companies. The violence follows a peasant uprising begun Jan. 1.

climbed 2% to 67%, and General Motors rose 1% to 59%. Meetings with company executives at the Detroit Auto Show led some analysts to raise earnings estimates.

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Strong U.S. Outlook Gives Dollar a Boost

NEW YORK - The dollar rallied on Monday, lifted by a global outlook that underscores the relative strength of the U.S. recovery versus the depressed economies of

other major industrial nations. The dollar got an initial lift from news that the West German gross

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percent in 1993. This strengthens speculation of another cut in German interest rates, probably no later than early February, if the counofficials have long advocated to try's inflation remains on a stimulate consumers' demand in downward trend.

The U.S. currency rose to 1.4715 ed States due to the big bilateral Swiss frames from 1.4660 frames trade deficit with Japan. and to 5.9060 French francs from 5.8828. The pound was unchanged

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resistance at 1.7350 DM but retreated under limited profit-taking. The dollar outlook versus the well, since the Japanese economy

ers said. This was acknowledged Monday by the central bankers of the Group of 10 industrial nations at a regular meeting in Basel. Swit-In Tokyo, Gaishi Hiraiwa, head domestic product contracted by 1.9 of the Federation of Economic Organizations, called for income tax cuts of 5 trillion yen to help spur

remains mired in a recession, deal-

Japan and help the country pull out Mr. Hiraiwa also called for a

Separately, the yen was supported by demand from investors eager to buy a 300 billion yen global

Chrysler rose 11/2 to 58%, Ford

meeting Monday, with the committee led by Mr. Crow, who was

In December, Finance Minister Paul Martin of Canada said he would not reappoint Mr. Crow as Bank of Canada governor. He awarded the job

German to Head G-10 Banks

BASEL - The committee of the Group of 10 central bankers said Monday that Hans Tietmeyer, president of the Bundesbank, would take

Central bank governors of the G-10 nations held their regular monthly appointed to the post in November, for the last time.

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Hospital Takeover Worth \$1 Billion

NASHVILLE, Tennessee (Reuters) — Health Trust Inc. said Monday it would buy EPIC Holdings Inc. an operator of acute-care hospitals, in a ransaction valued at about \$1 billion.

· Pipo Terms call for EPIC holders to receive \$7 for each common share, for a total of \$277 million, and for Healthtrust to assume \$727 million in debt. EPIC, which was spun off from American Medical Holdings Inc. in 1988, had revenue of \$1.02 billion in its latest year. With 10.600 workers, EPIC is the second largest employee owned company in the United States, after Columbia Healthcare Corp. HealthTrust said that after the acquisition, it will be the operator of 115 acute-care hospitals in 22 states and will have 27 000 persons of 115 acute-care hospitals in 22 states and will have 37,000 employees.

National Steel Braces for Charges

MISHAWAKA, Indiana (Bloomberg) — National Steel Corp. said Monday it would take fourth-quarter charges of between \$120 million and \$135 million related to the temporary closing of its National Steel Pellet Co. unit, elimination of some inventory and the adoption of a new accounting method for employee post-retirement benefits.

Tropicana Buys German Juice Line

BRADENTON, Florida (AP) — Tropicana Products Inc. stepped into the German juice market in a big way Monday by acquiring Hitchcock, the country's leading brand of fresh-fruit juices.

Tropicana purchased the product line from Deinhard & Co. Terms were not disclosed.

Carl Karcher to Franchise Chicken

ANAHEIM, California (UPI) - Carl Karcher Enterprises Inc. said Monday it has agreed with Boston Chicken Inc. to become an area developer and franchisee to develop and operate up to 300 Boston Chicken stores in California.

Terms were not disclosed. Carl Karcher Enterprises, which operates the Carl's Jr. fast-food chain, said it expects to open at least 60 Boston Chicken stores by the end of 1995 and at least 200 stores over the next five years.

For the Record

Boeing Co. and the four companies in the Airbus consortium have extended until at least March a study on the feasibility of building a jumbo jet that could carry 800 passengers. (Reuters) umbo jet that could carry 800 passengers. Atlantic Richfield Co. said it would take an after-tax charge of about

\$450 million against fourth-quarter earnings, reflecting its previously announced reorganization of certain U.S. oil and gas operations. The charge also reflected severance costs for about 1,300 employees. (UPI) US West Inc. identified four new sites for its proposed multimedia network, adding Denver, Minneapolis, Portland, Oregon, and Boise, Idaho, to the project to bring movies, shopping, games and pay-per-view video into customers' homes.

Oracle Corp. will supply multimedia software and storage devices to Bell Atlantic Corp. for delivering movies on demand and other services over conventional telephone lines to customers as early as this spring.

(AP)

Weekend Box Office

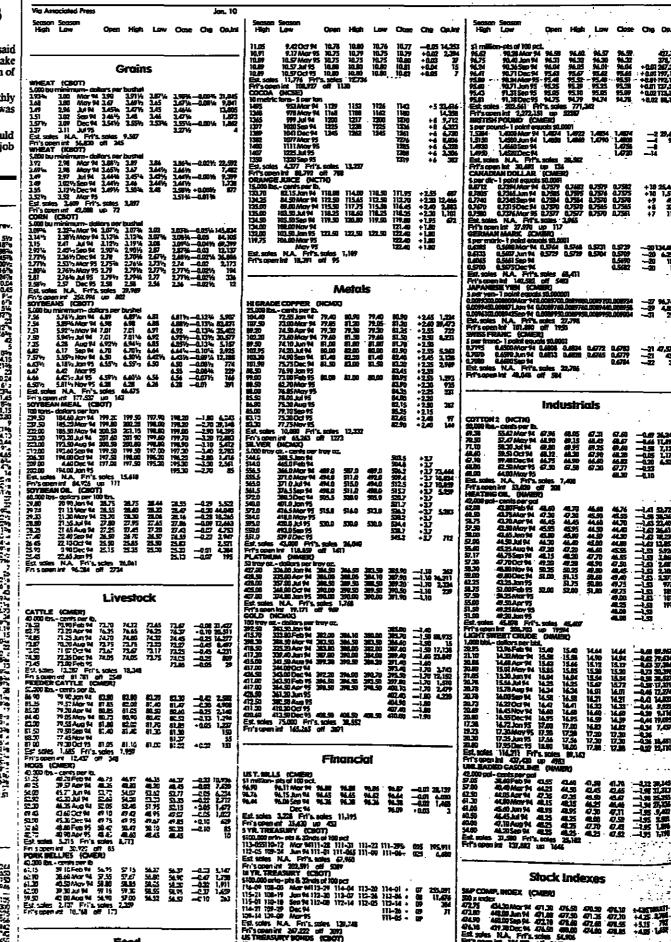
LOS ANGELES - "Mrs. Doubtfire" topped the weekend box office again, earning an estimated \$11.4 million. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers based on Friday ticket sales and estimated sales for Saturday and Sunday.

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EC Investigators Are Said to Oppose 3-Way Steel Link

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BRUSSELS - The European Commission's merger-inquiry team has proposed vetoing the creation of a joint steel venture by Germany's Mannesmann AG, Vallouree SA of France and Ilva SpA of Italy, company alliance vetoed by the commission and industry sources

Karel Van Miert, the competition commissioner, was expected to ask his fellow commissioners to back the veto propsal at a meeting

EU Car Firms to Suggest Post-Protection Policies

BRUSSELS - The European Automobile Manufacturers Asso. ciation will make recommendations on Tuesday to the European Union and other policy-makers to petition in Europe. ensure Europe's car industry remains competitive as barriers to Japanese imports are removed. A. spokesman refused to give details but said changes should create a healthy economic climate for the

Meanwhile, Italian car sales slumped 20 percent last year and the market is unlikely to see a pick-up in 1994, according to Ansia, Italy's na-

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dict after a four-month inquiry into the venture, the sources said.

If Mr. Van Micrt convinces his colleagues to back him, the joint venture would be only the second commission under European Union merger control rules in ef-

The venture, called DMV, would be created by the Ilva unit Dalmine SpA, Mannesmann Röhren-Werke AG and the Vallourec unit Valtubes SA. It would employ 1,000 people and make seamless, stainless steel tubes used in power stations and in the chemical industry.

A spokesman for Mr. Van Miert said the issue was under discussion and refused to comment further. But the sources said the commission in-vestigators believed the establishment of DMV would restrict com-

There were "severe differences of opinion and fact-finding" between the commission staff and the companies involved in DMV, one industry source said.

In late 1981, the commission invoked its veto powers under the merger rules to prevent Acrospa-tiale of France and Alenia SpA of Italy taking over the De Havilland commuter aircraft division of

Bill for Banesto Goes Up and Up Bank Reportedly Needs as Much as \$4.8 Billion

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches . MADRID - The amount of money needed to restore Banco Español de Crédito SA to health could be between 600 billion and 700 billion pesetas (\$4.1 billion and \$4.8 billion), according to analysts and media reports.

The Bank of Spain's initial estimate was that Banesto needed 503 billion pesetas to rebuild a balance sheet that was stuffed with assets that now appear to be much less valu-able than claimed by the ousted management.

But as the investigation into Banesto's finances goes deeper the volume of doubtful loans and levels of risks has been indicated by media reports to be much higher than thought. Additional problems could arise as the foreign subsidiaries of the bank are taken

into account, the reports said. El Pais newspaper said, however, that the Deposit Guarantee Fund would be in a position to help by buying about 120 billion pese-tas worth of doubtful loans from the bank. All Spanish banks contribute to the fund.

Analysts said they are still unclear about what the bank's future will be. But they said comments by the new chairman, Alfredo Saenz, that he will maintain the "essence and nnity" of the bank may mean that Banesto will not be taken over by another Spanish bank. They said chances are high that the restruc-

turing plan will include a cut in the par value of

the bank's shares, which have been suspended on the Madrid exchange since the Bank of Spain took control of Banesto on Dec. 28. Spain's Association for the Defense of Shareholders, representing the Banesto stockholders, said Monday that it had filed a civil suit over the weekend against the bank's auditors, Price Waterhouse, for alleged negli-

gence in reviewing the bank's accounts.

Still, analysts said, the amount of the cut in the shares' value will likely be limited, given the negative effect on the bank's 270,000 shareholders, who include foreign investors and the bank's own clients and employees.

Press reports say almost 60 percent of all the share issues in the first portion of the capital increase carried out by Banesto in early 1993 were bought by the bank's own clients with loans from the bank itself. After meetings Monday with Mr. Saenz,

union leaders said the new chairman had

The restructuring plan is expected by mid-February.

agreed to limit layoffs. They said he expects to have finished scrutinizing the balance sheet by the end of January and to have drafted the

restructuring plan by mid-February.

A different view of the Banesto intervention story may be given on Tuesday when the former chairman, Mario Conde, holds a

meeting with reporters.

Mr. Conde is expected to be against any lowering in the value of Banesto's shares; he owns between 4 and 5 percent of them. Jose Maria Amusategui, chairman of Banco Central Hispanoamericano SA, said in an interview published over the weekend in El País, that he, too, was against any lowering of the value of Banesto shares.

BCH loaned Mr. Conde 7 billion pesetas in mid-1993 to invest in the Banesto capital increase, using the shares and Mr. Conde's personal wealth as collateral.

it took control of Banesto, published in El Pais, show the extent to which the Banesto balance sheet deteriorated from the end of 1992 to the end of 1993.

Figures for 1992 show that nonperforming loans stood at an estimated 120 billion pesetas, but by the latest inspection in 1993 the figure has risen to close to 340 billion. This lifted the need for provisions on bad debts to 145 billion pesetas against 53 billion in 1992. The figures are the result of an investiga-

tion into all outstanding loans above 250 million pesetas, and the bad debt total is expected to rise considerably once an investigation into the loans below 250 million is completed. El Pais said.

It also said the bank's pension fund has deepening problems. About 66 billion pesetas are needed to bring its pension coverage up to regulated standards, the report said

An expected revaluation of Banesto's assets will reduce the value of the bank's industrial assets by about 120 billion pesetas. which would lead to a book loss of 81 billion pesetas, the report said.

One of Banesto's associate companies, the insurer La Unión & El Fenix SA, resumed trading Monday in Madrid after an 11-day

Regulators decided to allow trading again after Union & Fenix's caretaker management agreed last week to revise its 400 million peseta 1992 profit to a 12 billion-peseta loss. But investors' skepticists about the compa-

ny's future dragged Union & Fenix's shares down 15 percent to 1.790 pesetas, the maximum change allowed in one day.

Firm Rebuilding Beirut Raises \$850 Million

BEIRUT — The company that will rebuild war-shattered central Beirnt said on Monday it had raised more than \$850 million in Lebanon's first corporate flotation since civil war

ended in 1990. Speaking after the closure of Lebanon's biggest share offer, the head of the \$1.8 billion Lebanese Company for the Development & Reconstruction of Beirut Central District, known

as Solidere, said it had easily exceeded its \$650 million target. "We are still counting and we are over \$850 million." said Nasser Chamaa, head of Solidere's board of founders. How-

ever, he said he did not expect the total to reach \$1 billion. Mr. Chamas said the offer. which was open to Lebanese, and non-Lebanese Arab inves-

tors, attracted more than 15,000 investors, and the majority of shares were purchased by Leba-"We think it's a really excel-

lent result. It's better than we expected, especially in terms of the number of people that have subscribed," Mr. Chamaa said. The issue was one of the big-

gest corporate flotations ever made in the Middle East. Trading in Solidere shares is

Lufthansa Board Plans Talks on Pension Fund

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches FRANKFURT - Lufthansa AG's supervisory board will meet Jan. 31 to discuss the restructuring of the government-controlled air-line and ways to resolve a stalemate over Lufthansa's pension fund, its chief spokesman, Josef Grendell, said Monday.

He said Lufthansa would probably have to pay 1 billion Deutsche marks (\$574.8 million) or more to the government employee pension fund VBL after the proposed establishment of nine operating units as independent profit centers and the privatization of the government's Lufthansa stake.

Mr. Grendell said the board's discussion would focus on a restructuring plan to transform Lufthansa into a holding company with five central divisions and expected to start next month.

management board members, rather than six at present.

Subsidiaries such as Lufthansa

structure of time independent units within the holding group, he said. But Mr. Grendell said that im-Service Gesellschaft or Condor plementation of the restructuring would each be led by a general plan as well as Luithansa's privati-

Air France to Keep CSA Stake

PARIS — Air France said Monday that it wanted to remain a shareholder in the Czech national airline CSA, in which it holds a 38.2 percent stake through a consortium with the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Last December, Air France said it intended to remain a shareholder in CSA," an Air France spokesman said. "We still have the same position. Transport Minister Ian Strasky said over the weekend that CSA anned to withdraw from its investment contract with the state-owned

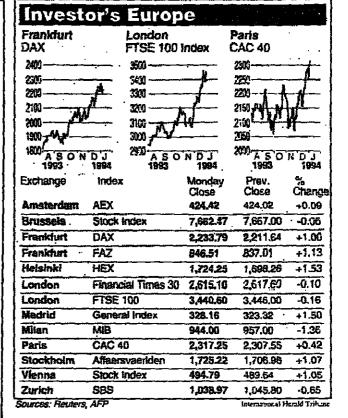
The Czech government, trying to resolve a financial crisis at its national carrier, had offered to find a buyer for Air France's stake, an official close to the negotiations said Monday. The official declined to

government did not reach agreement on Luithansa's payments to the pension fund.

Mr. Grendell said the nine operating units would have to set up their own pension plans, which would require Lufthansa to reimburse the VBL fund. Substantial payments to VBL would also have to be made to privatize Lufthansa, Mr. Grendell said. He declined to specify the amount but said I bil-lion DM was "perhaps" the mini-(AFX, Reuters)

■ Growth in Traffic Eases

The International Air Transport Association reported Monday that growth in passenger traffic had slowed in November, while freight volume continued to rise, Reuters (Reuters, Bloomberg) reported from Geneva



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Very briefly:

 Air Afrique is to get a capital injection of 18 billion CFA francs (\$59 million), after leaders of the 11 African countries that own stakes in the troubled carrier approved a rescue plan.

 IG Farbenindustrie in Abwicklung, a shell company handling the liquidation of the notorious World War II chemicals cartel, has no legal claim to assets in Eastern Germany that were expropriated by the Soviet Union after the war, the federal administrative court in Berlin ruled.

 Roche Holding AG, the Swiss pharmaceuticals company, said consolidated sales rose 10 percent to 14.3 billion francs (\$9.8 billion) in 1993. Crédit Lyonnais is to offer one-third of the capital in its Union des

Assurances Fédérales subsidiary at a price of 520 francs (\$88.40) a share. • French consumer prices fell by 0.1 percent in December, making the inflation rate 2.1 percent for all of 1993.

Lathroke Group PLC said it would participate in a consortium with MAI PLC to bid for the license to run Britain's national lottery. • Britain's merchandise trade deficit shrank to £580 million (\$867 million)

in October from \$1.09 billion in September. • Tomkins PLC almost doubled its pretax profit in the six months to Oct.

31, to £93.8 million.

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Barclays to Cut 3,000 Jobs

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Bloomberg Business News planned to shed 500 workers from LONDON — Barclays PLC, its retail branches in London and Britain's largest retail bank, said it southeast England. It is not known plans to shed 3,000 staff from its how much money the banking British branch network by the end company will have to set aside to cover the costs for the added job The move comes just over a week cuts. The increase in the number of after the bank's new chief executive, jobs Barclays expects to cut means Martin Taylor, began working. Bar- that by the end of 1995 it will have clays stressed that the job cuts were lost a total of 21,000 jobs since

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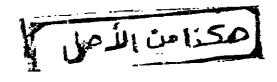
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Nigeria Fixes Naira, Abandons Reforms

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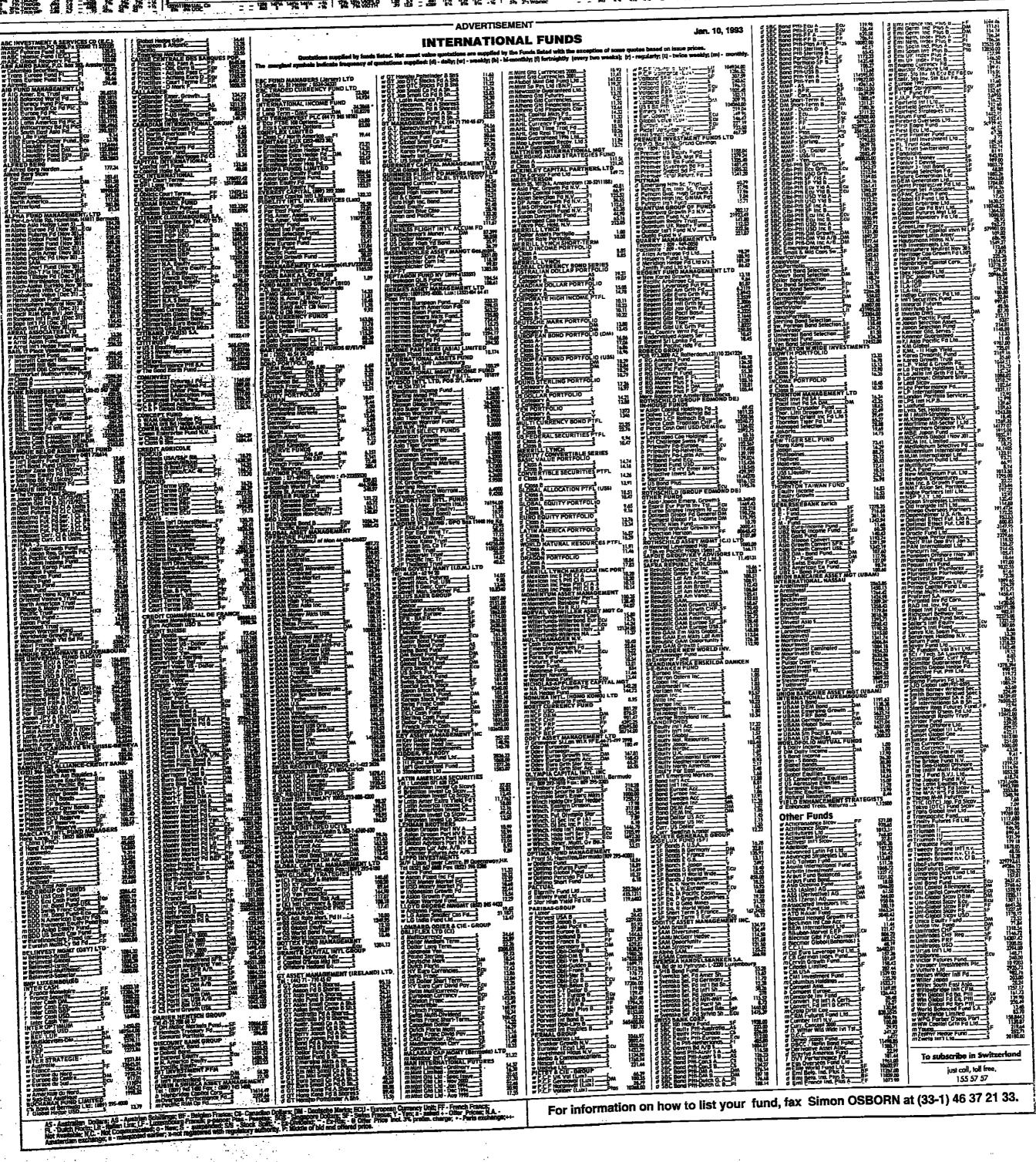
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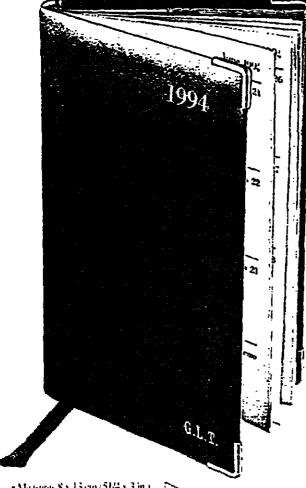
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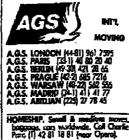
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Chrysler, Ford **Inch Forward** In Japan Market

TOKYO -- Car sales in Japan by Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. surged in 1993, but General Motors Corp.'s sales fell, according to data released Monday.

Despite the gains by Ford and Chrysler, the American Big Three still accounted for only 0.6 percent of car sales in Japan, or fewer than 20,000 vehicles in a market of more than 3.4 million.

Germany continued to be the most popular source of imported vehicles, with sales totaling 98,177. vehicles, with sales totaling 98,177, though that number was down 6.5 percent from 1992,

Chrysler's sales in Japan more

than tripled, to 5,699 cars, in 1993, Ford's grew 50 percent, to 5,111.
"Foreign carmakers posted gains in 1993 due to the introduction of new models and right-hand drive vehicles, as well as price cuts," said-Kuminiko Ono of the Japan Amo-

mobile importers Association. boom in sales of recreational vehicles, he said.

sales increase "resulted from heeding advice from Honda to reduce its retail prices and introduce right-hand-drive cars." American and other foreign cans have been difficult to sell in Japan in part because Japanese motorists drive on the left.

General Motors sold 6.2 percent lewer cars in Japan, a total of 8,525, in 1993, although its sales have posted gains since August after GM cut prices.

The increase in car sales for all foreign makers was 7.5 percent from a year earlier, to 195,090 in 1993. Including trucks and buses, sales in Japan of foreign vehicles rose 9.1 percent, to 201,481.

Japanese automakers, hit by poor consumer demand, saw domestic car sales slump 6.9 percent,

to 3,430,000, to 1993, the third consecutive year-on-year decline. Sales of German-made cars fell 6.7 percent from a year carlier, to 97,684 in 1993.

Chrysler introduced a righthand-drive Cherokee in January 1993, becoming the first of the 1993, becoming the first of the American Big Three to offer a right-hand-drive car in Japan. Chrysler also began selling its Cherokee Sports 1 model in December for 2,998,000 yen (\$26,660), making it the first foreign recreational vehicle to be sold for less than 3 million yen.

than 3 million yen. Chrysler also plans to introduce its LH model in Japan, with a sales target of 10,000 cars in 1994. The Japanese automakers

Honda Motor Co. and Toyota Motor Co., meanwhile, reported increased sales in Japan of cars im-Chrysler also benefited from a ported from their American subsidiaries. Honda sold 26,880 U.S. made

cars in 1993, up 35.5 percent, and Toyota sold 7,955 cars, more than triple its year-earlier total. Most of the American-made cars were station wagons. (Reuters, AP) Trade Talks to Resume

Japan and the United States will resume talks Tuesday aimed at increasing Japan's purchases of American-made auto parts to try to cut Japan's trade surplus, Agence France-Presse reported, quoting

Japanese government officials.
It would be the fourth time the two sides had met to discuss the issue under a framework accord reached in July by President Bill Clinton and former Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa.

Panting at Taiwan's Door Foreigners Eager for a New Asia Play

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By Kevin Murphy TAIPEI - With other Asian stock markets apparently taking

a breather. Taiwan is attracting attention from international investors eager to enter a fray largely off-limits to them.

A few months ago it was one of the worst-performing markets in the world over a three-year period, but Taiper's volatile stock exchange has gained roughly 35 percent in the past month while neighboring mar-kets have cooled. Still, the benchmark Weighted Price Index, which closed down 31.32 points at 6,343.83 Monday, remains about 50 percent off the all-time high hit in February 1990.

No one seriously predicts a quick return to the heights attained four years ago when stock frenzy led workers to quit their jobs to play the market full time and underground securities markets went spirming out of control. Indeed, Taiwan's Central Bank

of China on Monday clamped down on liquidity in the financial system, sending short-term inter-est rates soaring, in an effort to cool the latest bout of stock speculation, Reuters reported.

But in the long term, monetary policy is expected to remain rea-sonably loose. This, along with political stability, signs of cau-tionsly improving ties with China. and the promise of a relaxation on foreign stock ownership limits. has rekindled fond memories for local investors who dominate the market. These factors have also created a tempting target for foreign fund managers searching for a Asia's next hot exchange.

"In this case a small group of foreign investors' optimism about the market has caused a domino effect." said Patrick

Chim, assistant manager of but many have yet to be pro-Kwang Hua Socurities Investcessed. Brokers accuse the central bank of stalling to relieve Despite government pronounpressure on a slightly appreciating Taiwan dollar and growing cements that Taiwan wants to lib-

money supply.

Although foreign investment accounts for at most 3 percent of market capitalization, international interest lifted regional stock markets in 1993, explaining why expectations of foreign cash alone prodded Taipei market's early rises.

stitutions remain stuck on the sidelines the momentum they helped create has carried forward without them.

Local investors are reportedly pouring their savings into the market. Others are borrowing from unofficial lenders to participate in the tally.

"A month ago, the talk was all about 6,000 being a real possibility. The number people now have in their minds is 8,000," said Peter Kurz, Baring Securities' chief representative in Taipei. "These markets do have more extended booms than other places; there are not many natural sellers in the market.

How far then can Taiwan's market rise?

Analysis say local institutional investors, most of whom were bearish on the market's prospects last year, are switching from eash to equities. At the same time, large numbers of fixed deposits are maturing at a time of lower interest rates.

"I'm sure the government are different: speeding Taiwan's doesn't want to see it become as big a casino as it was in late 1989. early 1990," said Timothy Moe. Applications totaling more research head at Salomon Brothers Hong Kong Ltd. "But Taiwan than \$5 billion have been re-

H.K. Market Is Called Too Big to **Manipulate**

HONG KONG - The Hong Kong stock exchange is achieving record volume and has become too big to be easily manipulated, its chief executive said on Monday.

The executive. Paul Chow. acknowledged having "beard talk" of attempts to influence the market. That was an apparent reference to speculation that China has the financial strength to manipulate the Hang Seng index of leading Hong Kong shares behind the scenes ahead of 1997, when the colony is to come under Chinese sovereignty.

But Mr. Chow asserted that it had become extremely difficult for any one person or organization to dictate the market's course.

"I wonder if anyone can move this market," he said.

Volume last Thursday touched a record 15.2 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$1.9? billion), reflecting an influx of foreign funds. That is almost three times the daily average last vear.

Volume on Monday was 10.8 billion dollars. The Hang Seng rose 365.46, ending at 11,366.94.

Mr. Chow, noting that Hong Kong's market capitalization stood at about 15 percent behind Paris and Frankfurt, forecast that it would within three to five years overtake the Continental European markets to become the world's

fourth-biggest.

He attributed the upsurge in foreign interest to the arrival this past year of the first six Chinese state companies to list directly in Hong

But over the same period, many brokers have suspected China, through its many business interests in Hong Kong, of placing big sell orders to force down the market and embarrass Governor Chris Patten.

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• India said it had given Pizza Hut International, a unit of PepsiCo. Inc., permission to set up pizza restaurants across the country. The chain is expected to invest about \$40 million over a period of seven years to establish at least 30 restaurants, a government official said.

Japan said it would inaugurate a program next week to open large public-works projects to foreign contractors.

• The Philippines opened talks with the International Monetary Fund on a new economic program and President Fidel V. Ramos said the country was in a better position to negotiate a deal due to an improving economy. China Southern Airways and China Eastern Airways are waiting for a government decision that would allow them to list their shares on U.S.

 Him Group, a South Korean synthetic diamond producer, vowed to fight until it overturned a U.S. court ruling ordering it to stop production for seven years. The court ordered the ban on grounds that the company had stolen its technology from General Electric Co.

 Kazakhstan, whose oil and mineral wealth has lured a growing number of international businesses, hopes to receive about \$1 billion in Western loans in 1994. Prime Minister Sergei A. Tereshchenko was quoted as Kright-Ridder, AFP, Reuter, Bloomberg

Steelmakers In Japan Face Rising Losses

TOKYO - Japanese steelmakers will post record losses for their current financial year but the worst is still to come as demand from the automotive and electronics industries

slides, analysts said Monday. Nomura Research Institute licted the five biggest steelmakers would post parentcompany current losses of 216-billion yen (\$1.92 billion) for the year ending March 31 and losses totaling 295 billion yen

in the following year.
"Their results in 1993-94 will be the worst in history, and next year will be worse still," Hiroyuki Suzaki, a steel-industry analyst for Nomura, said. Crude steel output will fail to 91 million metric tons in the year ending March 1995 from 97 million this year, according

to Daiwa Institute of Research.

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka - Established 125 years ago by two Scots as a trading house when Sri Lanka was a British colony, Aitken Spence & Co. has become one of the country's top blue-

chip conglomerates.

The company, which was hard-hit by the nationalization of swathes of its business in the early 1970s, is enjoying a return to such sectors as plantations and insurance.

"It's a bit of pleasure getting back into old businesses we began life with," said Michael Mack, the company's 61-year-old chairman, who joined Aitken Spence in 1953 as its first Sti

In the intervening decades after the nationalizations. Aitken Spence built up a major share of the island's tourist industry through its travel agency and hotel businesses. It is also a leader in cargo handling. "We're No. 1 or 2 in the tourist sector, and we aim to maintain that

position," Mr. Mack said. He said investment funds based in Britain, the United States and Hong Kong had acquired between 35 and 40 percent of the company

since it went public in 1983.

Foreigners like the company because it provides good returns, is in growth businesses and takes in a large part of its revenue in foreign

On Monday the sheikh alleged in a lawsuit in the high court in Lon-don that senior Abu Dhabi officials

were aware of the BCCI fraud. In

the \$10.5 billion suit against the

Abu Dhabi Investment Authority

and Ghanim Faris al Mazrui, its head, Sheikh Khaled contended

they were "knowing parties" to the BCCI fraud. Mr. Mazrui was a se-nior member of the Abu Dhabi

der to help further BCCI investiga-

tions, the emirate in recent weeks

has found itself in an awkward situ-

ation in Washington. This was the

case because it had asked the State

American lawsuit.

Sri Lankan Company Returns to Its Roots currency, providing a hedge against the rupee's depreciation, Mr. Mack said.

Aitken Spence earned net profit of 137 million rupees (\$2.9 million) in the year ended March 31, 1993, and earnings per share rose 22 percent to 19.18 rupees. Revenue was more than 2 billion rupees, and

1.5 billion rupees of that came in foreign currency, an advance of 29 percent from a year The company's effective income tax rate is

relatively low at 20 percent because of its policy trating on sectors that attract tax incentives, said Asia Stock Brokers (Pvl.) Ltd. in a recent report. Sri Lanka's basic corporate tax rate will be cut to 35 percent from 40 percent in April.

The company began business in 1868 in the southern port of Galle. It imported rice and coal, and exported gems, hides, ebony, coffee and the local liquor, arrack.

It set up a branch in Colombo with the development of the Colombo harbor a few years later and acquired shipping and insurance

agencies and plantations to become an agency house typical of the time. The Scottish families that founded the company severed connections in 1971, when owner-ship was taken over by Sri Lankans.

Today, Aitken Spence is a conglomerate with 32 subsidiaries employing more than 7,000 people in five sectors - tourism, cargo handling, manufacturing, services and real estate devel-

Aitken Spence has a reputation for cautiou growth, careful deliberation and a knack for picking the "right" business, the brokerage Smith New Court Sri Lanka said in a report. It said the company's 10 percent market share and expansion plans make it well placed to exploit the boom in tourism.

came from its hotels and travel agency by Aitken Spence owns three resorts and manage seven others. Its travel subsidiary represents top tour operators in Europe and East Asia.

"Hotels account for the lion's share of recent investments," Mr. Mack said, referring to the company's two new hotels, the expansion of its Triton Hotel — the island's sole five-star resort - and its recent acquisition of a resort in the

"We suffered so much from nationalization we decided we would build where there's no threat of government intervention," the chairman explained. "This has been a thread of continuity in the firm's development."

Hongkong Land's Assets Gain

HONG KONG - The value of office towers and shopping centers owned by Hong Kong's largest landlord, Hongkong Land Holdings Ltd., rose 47 per-cent to \$7.84 billion last year. according to a valuation done for

the company. in a statement announcing that it was making a \$300 million convertible bond issue, Hongkong Land, a unit of Jardine Matheson

valuation of its main investment ready in Hong Kong, especially properties had been carried out in the financial-services industry, by the real estate broker Jones Lang Wootton Inc. on Dec. 31. into shares of Hongkong Land.

the company said.
In the last two years, prices ings rose steeply as China's rapidly developing economy attracted more foreign companies into ony and those al-

expanded while the supply of office space in Hong Kong's cen-The bonds will be convertible tral business district remained basically unchanged.
"The increase in Hongkong

Land's valuation may even be on and rents charged for Hong the conservative side; this year Kong's top-quality office build-really has been excellent for really has been excellent for prime-grade office space," Karl Leung, a real estate analyst at W.I. Carr (Far East) Ltd., said.

China and India Discuss Making Aircraft

NEW DELHI - China is proposing to pool technology and money with India to jointly manu-

facture commercial aircraft. The Chinese ambassador, Cheng

border war in 1962, want to make 100-seat passenger planes. Mr. Cheng said India and China could use their expertise at making ing to improve relations, emphasizmilitary planes to manufacture ci-

vilian aircraft. Ruisheng, told the Press Trust of India news agency Monday that the two countries, emerging from a strained relationship after their relationship after their relationship after their relationship after their ration, as both countries open their insulated economies to outside ins

No immediate comment was available from India. China and India have been try

ing trade and commercial collaboration, as both countries open their

BCCI: Fresh Indictments in View?

Continued from Page 1 an improved offer from Abu Dhabi to BCCI depositors and other creditors. In October a court in Luxenbourg rejected a \$1.7 billion settlement between Abu Dhabi and Touche Ross, the London-based liquidators of BCCL Now, thanks to the Geneva agreement, Abu Dhabi will have to give the liquida-tors all original BCCI records if a ancial settlement is not reached by April 1. If that were to happen the liquidators might use the documents as part of a future

lawsuit against Abu Dhabi.
Abu Dhabi, which has consistently described itself as a victim of the BCCI fraud, has found itself increasingly isolated since the Luxembourg court rejected its offer to creditors. Mr. Morgenthau, accommied by John Moscow, the chief BCCI investigator, traveled to Lux-embourg in November and obtained new pledges of cooperation.
In late December an out-of-

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court settlement was reached under which Sheikh Khaled ibn Mahfouz, a Sandi financier, and an associate paid \$225 million to avoid prosecu-tion on BCCI-related fraud and racketeering charges that had been brought by Mr. Morgenthan's office in New York. Sheikh Khaled also agreed to cooperate with U.S. authorities who were investigating members of the royal family of Abu

WINE: California's Exports Grow

material supplier in one of the

world's fastest-growing wine mar-

In the final, hectic hours of negotiations over the new tariff schedules at the General Agreement on Taniffs and Trade, Mr. Clawson, the California lobbyist, managed to win a one-third reduction in Japanese duties on table wine and a cut from 25 to 20 percent on bulk ship-

team that reached agreement with U.S. officials last Saturday. "It's only incremental," said Mr. Clawson. "But this is a multi-million dollar business, and we're While Abu Dhabi stressed on Monday that it had reached its agreement with Washington in orgoing to keep at it."

Not only is California competing with French wine in the new markets in Asia, it is even breaking into the market in France itself, where five million liters of California wine were sold this year.

Department for head-of-state im-munity for Sheikh Zayed, who was named in the \$1.5 billion First "As far as the consumer is con-Two senior members of Congress who have been investigating BCCI — Senator John F. Kerry in good shape when the European economy comes back," said David and Representative Henry B. Gonzalez — protested to Warren M. Winter, who began working in the stitute's chief promoter in Britain. Christopher, the secretary of state, about the attempt to win immunity for the Abu Dhabi ruler. If immunity had not been granted and Sheith Zayed had refused to tesnity, the Abu Dhabi ruler could have lost the \$1.5 billion suit by Monopriz retail chain.

what the wine trade calls the "new world" wines of Chile, South Africa, and Australia. Marketing ac cents the laid-back California lifestyle, and it differs from country to

country. In Germany, California capitalries on the lack of good German reds instead of trying to take on the good local whites. "Take a chance with California," goes the slogan there, but the marketers were more cantious than that They started slowly in upscale speciality wine and food shops and now are in department stores. At 8 million liters, sales were up 50 percent in 1993, and this year California wine

moves into hypermarkets. Britain is probably Europe's most competitive market; it takes about 30 million liters a year from almost 150 California wineries and is the state's best foreign market after Canada. It competes mainly cerned, this is an open market, and in the tough market just below £4 the French like to try new wines. If (\$6) a bottle, which is hard to do for we stay here and keep at it, we'll be producers with California's high labor costs, according to Andrew Montague, the California Wine In-

belly of the beast last March as the Asked about the tannin that too Paris-based European marketing often seems to characterize Califor-director for Wente Brothers of Cal-nia wine, he replied that meant the ifornia, which exports 40 percent of wine was drunk too young. "People its output, and has just won an rarely lay down California wine order of one thousand cases for a and they should," he said. "I am promotion in 124 stores of France's trying to turn that around with

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CHUNNEL: Testing the Waters

Continued from Page 9 minutes, including the 75 minute sailing. In bad weather and heavy seas, something Le Shuttle hardly needs to worry about, that trip can nun far longer and far harder on the stomach, if the ferry runs at all.

"Eurotumed will become the preferred route over both the ferries and the airlines, predicted Richard Ryder, an analyst at Salomon Brothers Inc. Even the Dover Harbor Anthority, which runs by far the busiest

cross-Channel port in England forecasts a quick and massive cut in "We expect Euroteened to take

which last year handled 18 million

Exacerbating the plight of the ferry operators is a surfect of capacity. A total of 10 super ferries five each from both P&O and Stena - make a total of 50 crossings a day, often leaving at the same time. The competition is so fierce that we run boats that don't always make sense," Mr. Rees of Stena

Beginning in May lar more boats will leave Dover with even less commercial logic. Although the ferry operators and Europeanel insist the last thing they want is for the war of words to become a price war, some analysts predict blood-40 percent of our revenue in the letting Even the ferry companies first year," said Keith Southey, a admit that there is probably room spokesman for the Authority, for only one major ferry operator.

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In a Game That Had Everything, The Raiders Had a Little More

By Michael Wilbon Washington Post Service LOS ANGELES — This was a game straight out of Al Davis's

His quarterback threw deep, bombs away. His defense allowed only a field goal when it counted. thwarting one of the best playoff quarterbacks in National Football League history throughout the second half. And on hand to watch was a full house in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, a colorful rowdy crowd that was reminiscent of an earlier era in the Raiders'

Los Angeles' 42-24 victory over the Denver Broncos in an Ameri-

and three more touchdowns on the Raiders. 302 passing yards and three touch-down passes and tight end Shan-non Sharpe's 13 catches. Those are the details, but hardly

the story of the kind of game that once made the American Football League so irresistible. There were six touchdown drives

of 65 yards or longer just in the first half, which ended with the score tied at 21. Hostetler's first six completions went for 202 yards and

ally every way, vintage Raiders.

The Raiders got three touchdown passes from Jeff Hostetler, of the penalties called against the Riddick Bowe-Evander Holyfield

sideline and started punching Broncos in the middle of the field. That in itself might not sound so bizarre, but Trapp is inactive and was standing on the sideline in street clothes. Remarkably, the Raiders were not hit with a penalty, but the Broncos were, a 15-yarder. "Ridiculous," said Denver's

coach, Wade Phillips. "A guy comes off their bench and attacks comes off their bench and attacks our player and we get a 15-yard off football. The Raiders, with their bomba arms of factors are also incredibly entertaining, even if flawed, play-off football. The Raiders, with their bomba arms of factors are also incredibly entertaining.

RECEIVING—Denver, Sharpe 13-06, Mor-noll 5-69, Allburn 5-8, Russell 2-31, Tillmon 2-5, R.Johnson 2-19, K.Taylor 1-13, Rivers 1-8, vons 1-7. Los Angeles, Jett 3-111, Brown 3-86, orton 3-45, Montgomery 3-29, Wright 1-23, MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

m nis best performance as a pro.

In nere were nearly as many fights

on the field as there were in the

stands. In a first-half fight, corner
302 passing yards and three touchdown passes and tink three touchdown passes and tink three touchheavyweight championship fight in Henderson, Nevada, motored onward, was tracked by police in their cars and arrested immediately after landing in a park in a northwestern part of the city. The police charged Miller, 30,

with interfering with a sporting event, a misdemeanor.

In an afternoon chock full of sidelights, there was also incredibly bombs-away offense the first half and rejuvenated defense in the second half, advanced to Saturday's divisional playoff game in Buffalo.

Denver safety Dennis Smith, be-

fore it began, had billed the game as the Raiders' speed vs. the Broncos' strength. "I said, 'It'll be a game of trucks vs. Ferraris." they win. They've got too much speed. If it's a game of collisions,

"Well, it wound up with trucks chasing Ferraris," he said. "There were not enough collisions and too many races.

Hostetler hit wide receiver James Jett with a 44-yard laser that set up a nine-yard touchdown pass to tight end Ethan Horton for a 7-0 lead six minutes into the game. Elway countered with a 65-yard drive that ended with a 23-yard pass to Sharpe for a 7-7 tie.

Brown on a crossing route, which covered 65 yards and put the Raiders on top, 14-7. Elway took the Broncos on a 12-play, 80-yard drive that ended in a 16-yard touchdown pass to tight end Reggie Johnson, 202 yards. and it was 14-14.

On perhaps the game's most memorable play. Jett, the rookie the half. The next drive covered 77 in the second half.

down, a one-yard plange, with just from West Virginia, somehow got yards, included a fourth-and-inch
McCallum's 26-yard run around under seven minutes left. The three from West Virginia, somehow got behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone behind a three-deep Denver zone. Hostetler threw a rainbow that Jett behind a three-deep Denver zone behind a three-deep



The Broncos' John Elway threw for 302 yards, but in the last half took a pounding from the Raiders.

end zone to make it 21-14. At that again, at 21.

Then the Raiders' defense, up the middle, made it 35-21 with utes still left in the half, Hostetler Coach Art Shell's desire to keep four minutes to play in the third. had completed 6-of-9 passes for Elway off the field by running The first run was set up by a 33-

ran under, caught and took into the with a six-yard pass to tie the game good, 28-21. McCallum's second

more, and three consecutive poor yard punt, the second by a 30-yard But Elway would wind up with punts by Denver's Tom Rouen punt. 18 completions and 199 yards in changed the tone of the game early Mo

McCallum got his third touch-

NFL Playoff Picture

First-Round Games

• GREEN BAY PACKERS 28,

DETROIT LIONS 24. NEW YORK GIANTS 17,

• KANSAS CITY CHIEFS 27, PITTSBURGH STEELERS 24,

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Sunday, Jan. 16 • KANSAS CITY CHIEFS at HOUSTON ORERS.

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James Miller, who crashed November's heavyweight title bout, hove into sight again but this time had his wings clipped by police.

McMahon Takes His Knocks: 'I Plan to Be Back'

By Frank Litsky New York Times Service

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey -At age 34, he is still wears a long gold earring on his left ear and blue sunglasses in the dark. The old defiance is still there.

So is the resiliency that has allowed him to return, seemingly every few weeks, from a broken this or a dislocated that. But Jim McMahon is no phony tough guy, and he was scared Sunday during his Minnesota Vikings' 17-10 playoff loss to the Giants.

On the second play of the second half, with the Vikings nursing a 10-3 lead, Mc-Mahon dropped back to pass. As he threw incomplete, the Giants' Mike Fox smashed into him from behind, and a split second later Keith Hamilton hit him from the front. McMahon's head was bent back.

"My whole body was numb for maybe two minutes," he said. "Until I got feeling back in my legs, it was not a good feeling, considering what has happened the last couple of years."

In the two preceding seasons, offensive

guard Mike Utley of the Detroit Lions and defensive tackle Dennis Byrd of the New York Jets suffered serious neck injuries McMahon was sacked three times and during games. Utley is paralyzed; Byrd has belted often by the Giants' front line. As partly recovered. McMahon's injury was Cris Carter, who caught McMahon's 40-

McMahon was helped off the field, and hon is almost an icon to team Sean Salisbury replaced him for one play before the Vikings punted. The next time the Vikings' middle linebacker, "was a they had the ball. McMahon was back.

Nine minutes later, Fox hit McMahon as the quarterback completed a pass. Mc-Mahon took a blow to the head and fell on his left shoulder, which was separated earlier in the season, forcing him to miss five games. This time, the shoulder was

On that second hit, McMahon also suffered a pinched nerve in the neck or shoulder, causing a loss of sensation elsewhere in the body. Football people call that inju-

ry a burner or stinger.

McMahon again returned, but the Vi-

diagnosed as a minor concussion.
"I thought those two guys broke his said: "We had second and long, third and neck," said Tim Irwin, the Vikings' offensive tackle. "I was worned for his safety."

In a world of hardnosed people, McMa-

"What he did today," said Jack Del Rio,

His blockers are amazed by his resil-

"I don't think there's anything more you can say about his toughness," said Todd Kalis, an offensive guard. "He doesn't let anything - pain, injury, whatever - af-

fect what he's trying to do."

McMahon has been spent 12 seasons in
the National Football League — seven with the Chicago Bears, one with the San Diego Chargers, three with the Philadela Eagles and one from the Vikings. He has been beaten up so often that his 12

starts this season were his most except for 13 for the 1983 Bears.

The Vikings, seeking an offensive spark, signed him this season as an unrestricted free agent for \$3.2 million over two years. He led them to a 9-7 regular-season record

and a short trip to the playoffs.
"He amazes me," said Stove Jordan, the Vikings' tight end. "When he came to the team, a lot of people said he hadn't finished a season m years. Can he take a hit? Well, he took some today and bounced Against the Giants, he just could not

bounce back enough. He was disappointed because, he said, "We had it in control with a 7-point lead and the way our defense was playing, and then, in the third quarter, we lost the game."

So the Vikings are out of the playoffs, but for McMahon it is only an interrup-

tion, not an end.
"I plan to be back next year," he said.
"I'm having too much fun, but it's not fun when we lose. I'll be back if they want me

Cowboys' Smith Wins **MVP** Award for NFL The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Running back Emmitt

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Smith, who missed two games and half of
another, all three of which the Dallas Cowboys lost, was selected Monday as the
most valuable player in the NEL.
In voting by 81 national media members, Smith narrowly beat out last year's
winner, Steve Young of the San Francisco
49ers. Smith, the league's leading rusher
for the third straight season, got 26 votes,
Vounce the top passer in the NEL had 21 Young, the top pesser in the NFL, had 21. Smith is the first player for the Cowboys

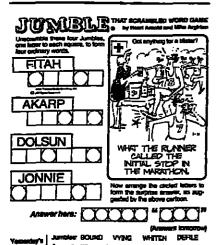
to win the award, and only the third running back since 1980. Jerry Rice of the 49ers was third in the

balloting with 15 votes. He was followed by Denver quarterback John Elway with 10, and Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman with three votes.

Also receiving votes were running back Marcus Allen of Kansas City and quarterback Warren Moon of Houston, two each, and quarterback Phil Simms of the New York Giants and wide receiver Sterling Sharpe of Green Bay, one each.

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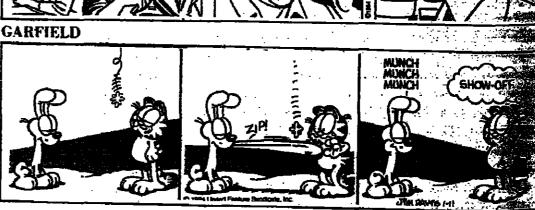












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Barkley: Good-Bye

the National Basketball Association finals and the National Baskethall Association finals and the honor of being named the league's most valuable player award last spring the new season has been anything has smooth for the Phoenix Suas' Charles Barkley. At training camp in October, the 6-foot 6-inch forward collapsed on the court. Tests revealed a bulging disk in his back, which has hampered his style to a degree but not his smile. Then Barkley was involved in two altercations at a Phoenix. was involved in two altercations at a Phoenix-area bar. Sunday, he was placed on the injured list because of a small tear in his right qualifi-ceps tendon, torst during a game Friday night. The team's doctor, Richard Emerson, said it appeared Barkley would not need singery, but that he will re-evaluate the injury this week. Amid all that, Barkley affered some thoughts on his future, the league and society in general in an interview with Samantha Stevenson.

O: Looking abead to next year? A: Next year? I'm not playing basketball

Q: Then tell us, what is the state of Charles Barkley in 1994?

A: I'm just trying to finish off this season. Hopefully, everything will be fine and we will win the world championship. This is my last season.

A: For sure.

Q: The lans will miss you.

A: There will always be great basketball players. I'm looking forward to playing in 1994 because we have a chance to win the world championship. We are one of three best teams in the league. There are only four or five that can win it and we're one of them. Q: So how's your back?

A: I think it's been a struggle for me this year physically. My back is going to bother me. There's nothing I can do about it. That's part of the game. You have to play hard and

Q: Let's make a list of reasons why you

A: The only reason is physical pain. That's it. For me, it is a physical strain. My feet make my legs and my knees hurt. That's part of my back pain. When you have back probiems it makes your legs go numb. Your feet are taking a lot of pressure. I'm taking some anti-inflammatory shots in my leg that make the pain go away in my back. But I don't want to get in the habit of taking shots to play. That's it.

O: You're not tired of the hassles you have recently had to go through? A: I don't move around Phoenix. I've got a

cook at home. My wife is a good cook. People are going to bug the hell out of you. It goes with the territory. That's why they pay you so much money. They pay you a million to play and another two million to deal with the nuts. And there are no nuts for me because they will get punched in the head. But that's the way it is.

Q: Is anyone or anything going to change

A: If I can have back surgery and the doctor can make me led like I am not being in pain then it's something I would consider. This season, if we play back-to-back games that I think we can win, I will take some

It didn't take long for Derek Harper to get

the bulk of the playing time at point guard for the New York Knicks.

Haiper, acquired three days before from

the Dallas Mavericks, played 27 minutes

Sunday night and was on the court during a.

17-7 fourth-quarter ran as New York defeat-

ed the visiting Portland Trail Blazers, 99-85.
Patrick Ewing scored 36 points and John
Starks added 30, but it was the newly ac-

quired Harper who got the most attention afterward for playing quality minutes during the most crucial part of the game.

to be able to spark us in certain situations, said Charles Oakley, who had 14 points and 12 rebounds for his 16th double-double of

the season - one more than he had all last

Harper, who had seven points and four

ssists, made a 20-foor jumper to give New

"I was nervous." Harper said. "I'm just

York a 91-73 lead in the fourth quarter. Portland got no closer than 14 after that:

trying to find my comfort zone right now.

"It's still early, but you can tell he's going

The Bear Is Growling

One tournament into the new year, and Jack Nicklins. right, was raising tanta-lizing possibilities. On a day when Phil Mickelson beat Fred Couples in a playoff to win the Mercedes Championship in Carlsbad, California, Nickians, 53, came from three shots back to win the senior section of the two-ner

event. Then he begam talking about winung another make title. But not on the se-"I played a very 2000 senior tour tour

But that's not what I'm trying to do. You may kugh at me, but if I think in my own mind I can be competitive, then I beiieve I can be compentive. If in my own mind I don't think that, then I'll let you know and I'll go do

nament," he said.

something else."



Q: The Phoenix organization talks as though you will be back in 1995.

A: If I can get my back together and they guarantee I won't be in pain, of course I'll be playing. I'm only 30 years old. A good-looking 30 years old. I might add. Jerry Colangelo wouldn't want me to play basketball in pain. He's too good of a person for

Q: People in Alabama say you want to run for governor when you retire? A: Not for four years. It's something I've always thought about and something I want

to do. I think it would be a great opportunity for me. One of the problems in the political system is you have so many people who owe people something. But if I get in there I won't be looking out for any particular group. I've been on both ends of the specfrom I've been poor. I've been rich. Hopefully, I can do a good job. Q: Republican, Democrat?

: I'm an independent.

Knicks Get a Return on Trade for Harper

tage of it. --

capable of doing."

Q: What will be your platform? into the public school system. What we're Bulls are a great team. groups and we have deteriorated our public school system. We are creating two different economic groups. Also, we have to get tougher on crime. People are not afraid to commit trimes in our society today and

Rivers went down with a season-ending knee

NBA HIGHLIGHTS

Anthony was not available for comment

after the game. He had four points, four assists and five rebounds, but Rod Strick-

land burned him for 14 first-half points.

The Blazers were without guards Terry

Porter and Clyde Drexler and center Chris

Strickland led Portland with 19,

Dudley, all of whom are injured.

Q: What about going back to Auburn for

A: It depends on my plans. Everybody does not need an education. I think it's important if you don't have a special gift. Having an education today doesn't guaran-

Q: Do you believe in stricter gun laws? A: Guns don't kill people. People with guns kill people. You put a gun on that floor and I'll use it.

Q: Do you carry one? A: I prefer not to get into it. People know you have a gun or don't have a gun, it sways their opinion if they want to do something to

O: Do you leel secure in your home! A: Yeah. As long as I have that 9-millime-

Q: Do you have a sense that since Michael Jordan has left that the pieces of the championship puzzle are more divided? A: No, not really. I felt the teams in the

West would have been favored anyway. Se-A: No. I thing I would pop more money attle, Houston and us, Even Chicago. The A: Just a lot of bad teams. And that's it.

O: Like? A: No, not like. There are a lot of had

Q: Do you miss Jordan?

host Los Angeles to 25 points in the first half,

The Lakers were without coach Randy

scored at least 21 points.

a franchise record-low.

Q: Looking back at 1993 and all of the deaths in sports . . . A: I don't look back on it. I keep it on my A: I see him now more than when I was

mind all the time How precious life is. I keep everything in perspective, no matter what happens on the basketball court. You This is a great opportunity," he added. "I only the lifth time this season the Blazers think it's important that I try to take advantage of it?...

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This is a great opportunity," he added. "I only the lifth time this season the Blazers think I doesn't kill you it won't affect you, I don't think

O: What is the most important thing?

A. God. Everything else is secondary.

playing. I see him a lot. We made some Nike

commercials and we just made a McDon-

ald's commercial. He's doing great. He's

Q: Do you see you and Jordan ever barn-

A: That Dream Team stuff is over. It

might tarnish something if we retire at young

ages and go overseas to play, if we play, we should play in America. Maybe an exhibition over there. Or something, I'm an Ameri-

can. That's what Americans do. They take

A. They are very good coaches. But coach-

A: I have fun playing basketball. It's only

really happy.

storming Europe?

care of Americans.

impact on pro coaching

This is a player's game.

thing in the world.

Q: You laugh a lot on the court.

Sons 122, Warriors 107: Phoenix, playing Q: Will you miss the game? Neither Harper nor Greg Anthony had at home, was without Charles Barkley and A: You're going to miss it. You're always constanding offensive numbers, but Harper Kevin Johnson, but its bench hook up the going to miss it. But you're going to miss it slack. A.C. Green had 29 points and 17 whether you retire this year or 10 years from who's been starting for the Knicks since Doc who's been starting for the Knicks since Doc rebounds and three other Phoenix players now.

Q: What have you learned in the NBA? Johnson missed his third straight game to A: Nobody owes you anything. You have "He's doing a good job with the plays he rest a bruised right thigh and sprained ankle. to work for what you get. My mom taught knows," Ewing said of Harper. "He's an but Frank Johnson filled in with a season-me that, but that's stuff you learn along the high 26 points and eight assists. Dan Majerle way. I've gotten smarter: I'm a better, a had 23 points and Danny Ainge 21. better basketball player.

ourstanding player and we know what he's their adversities for two hours and kicked O: Unlike your commercial on role models, do you really believe you are a role our butts," said Golden State's coach, Don

> A: Yes. Athletes are role models. Second-Spors 95, Lakers 89: San Antonio held ary role models. Your parents are first. Q: Are you trying to leave a Barkley legacy behind?

A: No. Because in this life you are trying Pfund, who was suspended for one game and indo so much you aren't thinking about fined by the NBA for bumping a referee in what you are leaving. You don't have time to Friday's victory over the Clippers. He was stop. Every day there is something new for

Police Have Videotape Of Kerrigan's Attacker

Monday they have a videotape of next week and begin jumping in the man who attacked U.S. figure two weeks. She said she hopes to skater Nancy Kerrigan and are skate next Monday. hoping to get a better look at him oratory for digital enhancement.

step in the right direction. Deputy who is undergoing chemother Police Chief Benny Napoleon said. treatment for aplastic anemia.

home to Boston on Monday with hopes of skating again soon. She was scheduled for tests later

The videotape was taken by a cameraman for Intersport, a Chica- had been a further drain. go-based production company, sec-

leon said. "You can see his face." Napo-

A private laboratory will attempt enhancement, Napoleon said. He said he was unsure how long that will take.

He said police would wait until then to distribute the videotape of

On Sunday, a videotape technician from Olympia Arenas which operates Joe Louis Arena, determined that the attacker was white. Napoleon said. On Saturday, police released two composite drawings of the man because four witnesses described him as white and

two described him as black. Witnesses described the attacker as being 35 to 40 years old, 6 feet tall, and 190 to 210 pounds. Napoleon said.

Another Intersport videotape O: Have Pat Riley of the Knicks and Phil shows the attacker running down a Jackson of the Chicago Bulls made a big hail after he had hit Kerngan, Na-

"You can see him running down es aren't going to win unless the players are a hall, he said. "You can see what good. You got had players, you can't win, looks like a black stick in his Kerrigan was named to the

Olympic team Saturday. The ata basketball game. It doesn't matter. We win, it's great. We lose, it's great. If you have tack had forced her to withdraw from the U.S. championships. a good team you are going to win a lot more.

gan said as she arrived at Logan International Airport in Boston. I'm just going to go on." She said the swelling in her leg

had gone down and she was following doctors orders to try walking normaliv.

ESPN Expands To Middle East

Internetional He all Enforce PARIS - ESPN International has signed an agreement with Orbit Communications Co, to telecast the ESPN International Network programs to the Middle East and North Africa, the 24-hour U.S. satellite sports network announced

ESPN International's programs include NFL games. PGA golf tournaments, NHL matches, Latin American and European soccer matches, Indy car races and Davis Cup tennis. ESPN said that Orbit will provide addition programming from the Middle East. North Africa and Eu-

Telecasts will have English and Arabic commentary

DETROIT — The police said tors that she can return to skating who were matches for the trans-

مكذامن الأصل

 Speedskater Kristen Talbot, by sending the videotape to a lab- her spot on the U.S. Olympic team ators for digital enhancement.

"If we get a clear picture of the Monday to Baltimore to donate person, that would definitely be a bone marrow to her brother Jason. who is undergoing chemotherapy

Kerrigan, limping slightly and Talbot, a two-time Olympian, holding onto her mother, returned was the fourth and final 500-meter qualifier Saturday and was 10th in the 1,000 meters Sunday.

Her times in both events were in the day on the knee badly better during the first weekend of bruised when the man attacked her competition. Dec. 31-Jan. 2. Marwith a heavy rod last Thursday af- row testing caused her to miss 12 practice days before the trials and she said her concern for her brother

"I think it was a little bit harder onds before the attack and shows than it was last weekend." Talbot the man squatting near the curtain when Kerrigan pulls it open as she little bit with Jason, rather than walks off the skating rink, Napo- myself."

Jason Talbot, 19, was diagnosed in mid-December with the disease leon said. You can see his eyes, that slows the production of blood You can see his nose. You can see cells. Without a transplant, his chances of survival are 15 percent at best, A successful transfusion to clarify the shot through digital pushes those odds as high as 80

Talbot. 23, of Schuylerville. New transplant.

plant. She was considered a bettecandidate because of her brother. ages: Matthew is 7 and Andrew 3. Another brother, 9-year-old Ryan, was not a match.

Doctors at Johns Hopkins Medical Center will take marrow from two places in Talbot's hip in what :expected to be a brief procedu: Tuesday.

"I'm pretty calm, but I'm ner-vous for Jason," Talbot said.

"The recovery depends a lot on individual variation," said Richar ! Ambinder, Jason's doctor at John: Hopkins. "There will be some sore ness, but blood loss is different. from person to person.

"Any other normal kid, ther: would be no question that the recovery rate would be 80 to 90 percent by the date of the Winter Olympics," said Ambinder. "I would say, though, this surgery will have an effect on Kristen's training, and with her being on the cutting edge, it will definitely affect. her, but I don't know how much."

Talbot said she hoped to resum: light training at Milwaukee's Petti-National Ice Center later this week. Jason Talbot will know in about

a month if his body accepts the

U.S. Luge Team **Back in Oberhof**

at the scene of the crime with police protection, Duncan Kennedy and protection, Duncan Kennedy and Scheuer, said they all want to con-the U.S. luge team tried Monday to centrate on training and plan a concentrate on training for this weekend's World Cup meet.

But there was one big distrac-

Just two days after Kennedy competes, the two neo-Nazis who allegedly led the assault on him outside an Oberhol bar go on trial and the prosecutor has asked Kennedy to testify.

'Ît's possible he could testify that day," said Karsten Reubekeul,

"I can't let this stop me." Kerri- all he could to make sure his at- day, the official said. not comment Monday on whether that will happen.

Reubekenl said the court must first determine whether it will call Kennedy.

Prosecutor Erich Rachor, meanwhile, said he had filed charges late last week against four more of the 15 skinheads involved in the Oct.

19 beating. The two due to go on trial, ages 16 and 21, have been charged with

causing grievous bodily harm for which they could receive up to five years in jail if convicted. Of the six suspects, only the 21year-old, the alleged ringleader, is

in jail. German justice officials have moved swiftly in the case, however. The attack was a big emharrassment to a country unable to halt a wave of attacks on foreigners - mostiy asylum-seekers from poor countries - by rightist extremists. Kennedy was surrounded.

kicked and punched outside the Kurparkklause bar as he turned to confront the skinheads so his black teammate and roommate, Robert Pipkins, could get away.

The skinheads had confronted

Pipkins in the bar, making monkey noises and gestures and calling him "nigger."

Kennedy is ranked second in

World Cup competition behind teammate Wendel Suckow and this weekend's meet is the second-tolast for the Americans before next month's Winter Olympics in Lillehammer, Norway. The seven-man, three-woman

.S. luge team arrived quietly on Sunday, beating the hordes of press expected later in the week. They had abandoned training in Igis, Austria, a day early because of warm, rainy weather that had made the track there soft.

They planned to be "sliding" Monday afternoon in Oberhof, 270' kilometers (150 miles) southwest of Berlin, where the sun shone on about a half-meter of melting snow and tourists were few because of a recent than.

Kennedy, Pipkins and their OBERHOF. Germany - Back teammates were not talking to reporters. The team trainer, Jess

news conference on Thursday. • New protests have forced the International Ski Federation 1. again reconsider the women : World Cup super giant slalom Sat-

urday that was stopped after 30 competitors, canceled and then le. stand, officials said Monday in Oberhofen, Switzerland. An FIS official said the executive body would decide during tele-phone consultations whether Heid:

court director in nearby Suhl. Zurbriggen's victory in the Altenwhere the trial opens on Jan. 17.

Kennedy has said he would do nouncement should be made Tues. markt race should count. An anlay, the official said. (ATP)

• Defenseman Kenneth Kenn-

holt, who sustained a groin injury during a league game, will not be able to play for the Swedish hocketeam in Lillehammer, the Swedish team's coach. Curt Lundmark, said Monday. · Security will be tightered a:

next week's European figure skating championships after an attack on U.S. figure skater Nancy Kerrigan, organizers said Monday in Co-"We have reviewed our entire

security setup to prevent anything like that happening here, said I ev Petersen, head of the Danish Skating Union and of the organizing committee.

Petersen said additional security guards had been hired for the Jan. 18-23 European championships in Copenhagen, but declined to claborate on specific security measures, "It is incredible that something like this could happen and we are

deeply shocked," he said. "We are taking the Kerrigan attack very se-

2 Months Early. First Fist Flies Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche

LONDON - U.S champion Michael Bentt punched British challenger Herbie Hide in a London street Monday, two months before they meet in earnest for the WBO heavyweight title. Hide, shirt buttons torn

away and nursing a sore lip, said Bentt had struck him more than once. Witnesses said the flash-

point came when Hide knocked a baseball cap from Bentt's head as the champion

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SIDELINES

Whitbread Yachts Tightly Grouped SOUTHAMPTON, England (AP) - Five boats were within three nautical miles of the lead Monday night as the leading fleet in the

Whitbread 'Round the World Race rounded the southwestern tip of

Australia and beaded for New Zealand. Japanese-New Zealand entry Tokio, overall leader after two less in the Whithread 60 class, held a tennous advantage over another Japanese-New Zealand yacht. Yamaha, and two other 60s, the European entry Intrum Justitia and Spain's Galicia 93 Pescanova.

Also bunched in the lead group as the yachts rounded Cape Leeuwin was New Zealand Endeavor, which holds first place overall in the Maxi class.

Hong Kong Likes Horses, and Bets PARIS (AFP) - Hong Kong's racetrack fans leave the competition standing when it comes to having a flutter on the horses, a survey released

The 41-country survey by French racing's promotional body UNIC found that, in 1992, people in Hong Kong spent an average of \$1.200 per capita in bets on horse races. The next biggest spenders were Australians. But they were a distant second at \$320, followed by Japan (\$271) and New Zealand (\$135). Neckand-neck in sixth place were French and British nunters, who each bet an

Leading the field in terms of the total value of bets placed was Japan, with \$33 billion wagered during 1992.

For the Record

Dr. Jamie Astaphan, who admitted providing steroids for sprinter Ben Johnson and other athletes, has been arrested at John F. Kennedy Airport on drug warrants after his plane from Antigua to Toronto was diverted to New York because of the weather, a Drug Enforcement Administration spokesman said.

Peugeot's sporting director, Jean-Pierre Jabouille, said Monday he wanted Alain Prost to return to Formula One motor racing with McLaren. Prost retired last season after winning the world championship

Anna Bauscher, 91, on why she didn't bother to pick up her medal after setting an age-group world record at a swim meet in Philadelphia: "I do this for survival, not for the glory."



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How Americans Feel

WASHINGTON — Everyone is conducting surveys to find starts with Bubba."

Out how Americans feel about their When the question of guns came

Sixty percent of the people I from talked to felt better about themselves than they did about North-

ern ireland. Seventy-four percent said that if

they had to do it all over again they would sleep on the top floor and put their children in the basement with the doors locked and the windows barred,

A majority of Americans re-Buchwald ported that what they feared the most was having cold popcorn in the movie theater. Children said that they feared getting chewing gum on their new

sneakers and having to sit next to smelly Josh Workman on the

There was no agreement on whom people admired the most in sports, although 54 percent of those

RSC. With Grant. Will Tour More

L ONDON — The Royal Shakespeare Company has accepted one of Britain's biggest sponsorships, with the food and beverage group Allied-Lyons PLC, which will enable the company to spend more time touring abroad. The company's artistic director,

Adrian Noble, said the £3.3 million (\$5 million), three-year sponsorship would bring financial stability after one of the bleakest years ever for the art in Britain, with many cutbacks in state and corporate funding.

The RSC said it would do more international touring and spend at least 15 weeks in the United States and nine weeks in Continental Europe in the three years beginning March 1. Its 1994 touring begins with a production of "The Winter's Tale," which will visit New Zealand, Japan and the United States.

lives. I figured that it wasn't too up, 87 percent said they would early or too late in 1994 to do my rather have a toy than a gim, but if anyone tried to take the toy away from them they would all want a

> When asked "Do you believe that there is only one calorie in Diet Coke?" 90 percent of those interviewed said that they did. Only 23 percent claimed to have actually

> One of the questions asked was. "Do you believe God should be in the classroom?" The majority agreed that He should as long as He didn't raise real estate taxes.

The next question was, "Do you believe in dinosaurs?" To which 67 percent responded, "Only if they don't create traffic gridlock in the

The survey asked people, "What do you like the most about America?" The overwhelming response by 80 percent was the Post Office.

I also posed the question, "Do you think that life is unfair?" Most of the participants said no. One typical respondent said, "Life is fair, cable television rates are un-The question then came up,

"Would you want your danghter to marry Howard Stern, the radio commentator?" The majority said no, but one man said, "I thought My survey also tried to find out people were fearful of NAFTA.

Sixty-nine percent responded that they could live with it as long as its warheads were not planted in the Television violence was also on

the list of things that people were concerned about. One of the main worries was that Oprah Winfrey was going to hit someone over the head when she took her microphone into the audience.

Did people believe that everybody should be politically correct? Most replied no, if it meant paying more for health insurance. One of those questioned said, "The only person I want to see politically cor-

rect is Senator Packwood." When asked what they would do in the future that they hadn't done in the past, the majority said that they would pick different numbers for their lottery tickets.

Amos Oz's Belated Tribute to His Father

By David Streitfeld

Washington — Amos Oz grew up in a cramped Jerusalem apartment that boasted many books but not much else. His father, Yehuda, was a former professor of comparative literature — a reluctant immigrant to a Palestine that, thanks to European anti-Semitism, had more comp lit prolessors than students. Yehuda took solace in his books; they fed his spirit. They didn't feed his family. "Why don't you sell some of your precious tomes, so we can buy some food?" his wife, Fania, would ask,

Reluctantly, Yehuda would pluck out a few volumes and trudge off to the shops. Yet when he returned hours later he would be carrying not food, nor even the prom-ised money, but more books. He might have gotten rid of a couple, but he couldn't resist the lure of others. Who needs to eat?

Oz smiles as he tells the story, maybe because childhood represents the high point of his relationship with Yehuda Arieh Klansner, who had to make his living as a librarian. "He was a right-winger, a city dweller and an ardent, uncritical Zionist," says the son, who left home at age 14 to join a kibbutz, changed his name (Oz means "strength" in Hebrew), and has been a longtime and prominent advocate of reconciliation with the Arabs.

These differences, once so great, matter less now. Yehuda died in 1970, living long enough to see his son publish his first three books and become the leading Israeli writer of his generation. Oz's new novel, "Fima," his 11th work of fiction to be published in the United States, is in part a belated tribute to the old man, but also testimony to the unhappy feelings fathers can provoke in the lives of their sons: Fima could "almost sniff his father's

special smell wafting up the stairs, that smell he remembered from his infancy and could identify even in a roomful of strang-ers: the scent of airless rooms, old furniture, steaming fish stew and boiled carrots, feather beds, and sticky liqueur.

"As father and son exchanged a per-functory embrace, this Eastern Enropean aroma aroused in Fima a revulsion mixed with shame at the revulsion, together with the long-standing urge to pick a quarrel with his father, to trample on some sacro-sanct principle of his, to disclose the irritating contradictions in his views, to exas-

The novel is more discursive than plotdriven, as befits Fima's dreamy nature. (Efraim Nisan, to give his formal name, is a receptionist in a Jerusalem gynecologist's office, a 54-year-old onetime poet who has the richest fantasy life this side of Walter Mitty.) The story recounts the five days before what is heralded on the first page as

"the sad event," the death of his father. It will change Fima's life. The son is forced to become a little more of an adult.

When my father was alive," says the 54year-old Oz, "although we were not always on the best of relations, there was his body, his person —his broad back, so to speak standing between me and death, I knew it was there, of course. Always, I could see it this is where being an Israeli helps a little bit. But he stood between me and death.

When he was gone, there was nothing."
Think of it, he says, like standing in line. Think of it, he says, like standing in me.

"Something changes about people's posture — the way they stand, the way they wait — when they are first. The death of a parent, whether this is a father to a boy or a mother to a girl, makes you ready for the call, "Next, please."

In Israel, this notion has broader implications.

cations. For a long time after its establishment a half-century ago, the country was dominated by the founding mothers and fathers. David Ben-Gurion, Chaim Weizmann, Golda Meir — these were larger than-life figures, pioneers, the folks who initiated it all.

"These people were always parents, even when they were very young," says Oz.
"They were parents of the country, the ones who started the business. So even in the broader sense of the Israeli experience, there is now this feeling, "Next, please."

He has proposed for the first Israeli-Palestinian joint project "the creation of a monument to our mutual stupidity." In his view, the Palestinians will get less than they could have had in 1948, five wars ago. while the Israelis will keep less than they could have had they been more generous, more imaginative in 1967. And the thousands of victims on both sides? "The dead will get nothing except for some wreaths and a flood of high-flown rhetoric."

He's sitting on the porch of his cousin's home in Bethesda, Maryland. He's think-ing about his father again. Yehuda, Oz recalls, was a member of the underground during the struggle for independence, for which he wrote leaflets about the perficious British. One day he was asked to hide in his home a few Molotov cocktails -- no small matter, considering this could result in a sentence of death. Yehnda put the canisters on shelves behind a row of books. "Where else?" asks Oz. "There was no basement, no attic. The kitchen was no bigger than an airplane toilet."

The next day, the neighborhood was put under curfew. A house-to-house search followed. A young British officer, flanked by two soldiers, came into the family's apartment. He saw all the books and immediately decided that such an educated man could not be a terrorist.

They began chatting about literature.

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Author Oz has made his peace with his father as his country seeks its own.

all, a professor without a single student began plucking books off shelves. "My mother and I stood there trembling for fear a cocktail might roll off the shelves and explode," Oz says, smiling again.
Although Yehuda was a librarian, not a

writer, Oz calls him "more literary than I've ever been." It's a strange thing to say when you are the writer who embodies contemporary Israeli literature in Europe and the United States. Oz's second novel, "My Michael," the story of a young Jewish woman's fantasies about two Palestinian brothers, took Israel by storm in 1968; a success on a comparable scale in the much more populous United States would need to sell about 10 million copies.

But even the most successful novelist in Israel lives much like everyone else. During the decades on the kibbutz, all of Oz's

An enthusiastic Yehuda - he was, after royalties went into the common fund. He served in the army and the reserves. The house in the desert town of Arad where he lives with his wife, Nily - they have two daughters and a son — doesn't boast a swimming pool.

When he's writing, which is most of the time, Oz fends off reporters wanting to know the significance of every political hiccup. Art, for all intents and purposes, is kept separate from life. He doesn't write

His most recent novels - "Black Box," "To Know a Woman" and now "Fima" all revolve around characters who experience a major shift in priorities, and consequently have an overwhelming urge for reconciliation. "Making peace with some-thing," Oz calls it, quickly adding that this isn't meant politically.

PEOPLE

Billy and the Oscars: Can This Be the End!

Bally Crystal, whose send-ups of production numbers and quick ad hits have brought great ratings even Emmys - to the past few Academy Awards ceremonies, is threatening to call it quits. Again, Crystal was coaxed last year to host the ceremonies one more time, but People magazine reports that Oscar may not be so lucky this year. Crystal says it's hard to repeat the impact of such implanted events as Jack Palance's one arm push-ups, which gave Crystal fodder for the 1992 show and the idea for a splashy entrance in 1993. A spokesman for the Academy said only that there is "no news to report on who the host wili be" on March 21.

The Nobel prize winner and author the Wiesel plans to co-trach a course titled "Facing Hate-Making Peace" at Eckerd College in Florida this winter ... Wayne State University in Detroit has hired Coleman Young, whose 20 years a mayor of the city ended a week ago, as a half-time professor of urban affairs.

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The singer and actress Melba ore, who has hit hard times since her divorce from her husband-manager, may be rebounding since she talked of being on public assistance on the "The Manry Povich Show."

Two lawyers have offered free legal services and two producers have expressed interest in putting together a concert or recording deal.

Saying he is doing great work and is still getting better, NBC rewarded Jay Leno with a contract extension that will keep him as host of the "Tonight" show through 1995. The financial terms were not disclosed, but an executive said he would get a raise. He has been earning \$6 million to \$7 million a year.

Sophia Lores says she is considering resuming her acting career.
"Not being a teenager anymore, I have to select stories that are very appropriate to my age and to my character," said Loren, 59, as she accepted an award in Palm Springs.

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Forecast for Wednesday through Friday, as provided by Accu-Weather. Risin and snow will tall from New York City to Weshing-ton, D.C., Thursday. Bitterly cold air will knife southward



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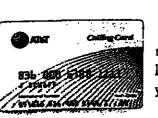
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